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THE WEATHER

LOUISIANA: Rain Sunday and in east and central portions Sunday night. Monday partly cloudy and warmer in west. Mostly cloudy in east portion. Strong winds on the coast diminishing Monday.

ARKANSAS: Rain Sunday and in east and central portions Sunday night. Monday partly cloudy and warmer in west, mostly cloudy in east portion.

MONROE: Maximum 43.8, minimum 35.0.

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Invasion Command Pushes Attack Plans

Barrage Of 'Victory In '44' Predictions Made By High Command

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The war in Europe turns into the new year under a barrage of "victory in 1944" forecasts by American high command spokesmen.

The chief sources, Admiral King and General Eisenhower, dispel the notion that war-of-nerves propaganda motives had anything to do with those optimistic year-end outgivings.

That both men based their remarks on knowledge of coming military events in Europe, not upon vague hopes of an impending internal collapse in Germany, goes without saying. And they know all there is to know about now interlocked Russian-Allied war plans for 1944.

Both participated in the Teheran war councils. Neither publicly committed himself to an estimate of how long the war might last in any theater. Both are professionals, utter realists, in estimating military situations.

Even a layman in the science of war could discern that the known factors in the European military equation at the year end tended to justify 1944 victory expectations. The Nazi plight in Russia was growing more desperate hour by hour. Soviet troops held the initiative along the whole 1,800 mile front from the Baltic to the Black sea. They had forged a 200-mile arc west of Kiev to create one of the most gigantic military traps ever conceived.

The plain inference was that King and Eisenhower had foreknowledge of Russian plans to force the great break-through toward the Polish and Rumanian borders that is on the verge of engulfing from a third to a half of all Nazi troops in Russia. That the critical developments for the common enemy in west-central Russia—and barely within Russia now at that—

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HOPE FOR START OF JAP DEFEAT

Subordinate Role In India Certain To Continue For Time

NEW DELHI, Jan. 1—(AP)—Allied forces of Admiral Lord Louis Mountbatten's southeast Asia command looked into the new year today hoping to see in 1944 the beginning of victory over Japan in this theater of war.

The grand strategy of smashing Germany ahead of Japan, confirmed at the Cairo and Teheran conferences, inevitably means continuance for a time of the subordinate role being played by the fighting forces based in India, however.

This period of waiting may last another few months or it may last a year, depending on developments in Europe, but it is obvious that complete inaction is not a part of the plan and that at least a few strides will be attempted against the enemy who drove the Allies back to the Indian frontiers early in 1942.

Already Chinese troops, American trained and equipped, have advanced more than 50 miles into northern Burma along the route of the Ledo road, which it is intended will ultimately carry supplies to China. British forces are probing into Arakan, 500 miles to the southwest, determined to avenge the defeat the Japanese gave them there last spring.

Heavier and successful fighting in both of these zones, even though on a comparatively small scale, has been described in recent Allied communiques. Aerial activity also has been intensified. Japanese communications throughout Burma have been pounded so persistently that it is becoming difficult to find targets there and the American and British planes based in India now have been reaching for objectives deep in Thailand.

JAPS ASSERT 1944 TO DECIDE OUTCOME

(By Associated Press)

New year's statements broadcast yesterday to the Japanese people by military and political leaders stressed the "seriousness" of the war situation and warned that the outcome of the war would be decided in 1944.

The broadcasts, recorded by United States government monitors, emphasized, however, Japan's ability to crush "the enemy counteroffensives."

Premier Tojo in a New Year's day message said "victory for Japan and east Asia can be attained only by crushing these enemy onslaughts."

Foreign Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu declared "1944 is the year in which we must defend our own, that is, greater east Asia, and crush the enemy's counteroffensive."

Nobuyuki Abe, president of the Imperial Rule association, Japan's totalitarian political party, declared "1944 would be the year in which the destiny of the war would be decided."

Kazou Aoki, minister of "greater east Asia" affairs, warned the Japanese home front that it "must endeavor to bring about a drastic increase of the fighting power."

LOADS OF BOMBS HIT COAST AREA

Belgian Premier Thinks Country To Be Freed In Few Months

SPAATZ ARRIVES TO TAKE CHARGE OF AIR ASSAULTS

LONDON, Jan. 1—(AP)—The Allied invasion command worked with quiet urgency and without a pause for the holiday today, in line with General Dwight D. Eisenhower's slogan promising victory in Europe this year, as squadrons of Allied planes again swept over the channel to drop smothering loads of bombs on Nazi defenses.

The invasion commander's confident prediction was enhanced further today by the promise of Belgian Premier Hubert Pierlot that his country would be liberated of its Nazi invaders within "a few months."

A steady procession of Allied fighters and fighter-bombers went over the "invasion coast" of Europe today in a tactical follow-up of yesterday's American strategic bombing of two ball-bearing plants at Ivry and Bois De Colombes in the Paris suburbs and two Nazi air bases near Cognac in west-central France.

Some of the invasion commanders have already arrived here—notably Lieutenant General Carl A. Spaatz, who will command American strategic bombing of Europe—and are busy with conferences and arrangements for bringing in the other officers that will complete Eisenhower's team.

Shortly after arriving, Spaatz conferred with Lieutenant General Ira C. Eaker, commander of the Britain-based Eighth air force who is being transferred to the Mediterranean theater.

Contrary to what always had been the practice in this theater but in line with the practice always observed during Eisenhower's command in the Mediterranean, today's air communiques dealt with operations of the day before.

One joint air ministry-United States army air force communique announced that "strong forces" of United States Marauder bombers and R. A. F. and Allied medium, light and fighter-bombers attacked military objectives in northern France yesterday with good results and returned without loss.

A second joint bulletin told of the Paris and Cognac raids by United States Flying Fortresses and Libera-

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U. S. DESTROYER SUNK-IN CRASH

Second Craft Of Kind To Go Down In New Britain Area

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1—(AP)—The destroyer Perkins was sunk in a collision off New Guinea on November 29, the navy announced tonight.

The navy also reported that the coastal transport APC-21 was sunk by enemy aircraft off New Britain on December 17.

The text of communique No. 493:

"1. In the early morning of November 29, 1943, the United States destroyer Perkins was sunk as the result of a collision, off the southeast coast of New Guinea.

"2. During the morning of December 17, 1943, the coastal transport APC-21 was sunk by enemy aircraft, off the southern coast of New Britain island.

"3. The next of kin of the casualties in the Perkins have been notified. The next of kin of the casualties in the APC-21 will be notified as soon as possible."

Announcement of the loss of the Perkins indicates that this is the second American destroyer to go down in New Britain-New Guinea waters recently. It was explained that tonight's communique does not refer to action in which a destroyer was

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ITALIAN KING TRIES TO SAVE HIS THRONE

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Jan. 1—(AP)—King Vittorio Emanuele, striving to retain his throne in the face of vigorous opposition, called on the Italian people today to rally around him and forget past political differences.

In a New Year's appeal, he said:

"In the sacred name of Italy, I call upon you to rally around me. Let personal resentment be overcome, every special project be postponed. * * * There is but one duty and one right, for all to serve our country loyally in order as soon as possible to liberate her from the foe who tortures and oppresses her.

"As the new year begins, your king wishes to be near you and asks nothing more than to be first to serve Italy."

U. S. 8TH AIR FORCE DOWNS 4,100 NAZI FIGHTER PLANES

LONDON, Sunday, Jan. 2—(AP)—The Britain-based United States Eighth air force destroyed 4,100 German fighter planes during 1943 and dropped 55,000 tons of bombs on Nazi-occupied Europe at an overall loss of less than four per cent, Lieutenant General Ira C. Eaker, commander of the group, reported today before taking up his new post as Allied aerial commander in the Mediterranean.

Stressing the rapid increase in the operations of the unit the Eighth air force commander revealed that a new secret method of bombing through clouds, thus overcoming bad winter weather, had enabled the Americans to drop a record load of 12,000 tons of bombs in 10 raids during December. This was more than double the weight dropped in November and roughly 30 per cent more than the total tonnage for the first six months of 1943.

General Eaker, in his report which was broadcast to the United States by the Blue network, said that in the last two raids by the Eighth air force, approximately 1,500 planes were used—more than half of them four-engined bombers. Underscoring the growth of the force the general compared this number with 53 Flying Fortresses which raided Wilhelmshaven almost a year ago, January 27, 1943.

America, he said, was the first to send fighter planes over Germany itself and he declared pilots of the Eighth air force meeting the Germans on their home ground had shot them down at a rate of 3 to 1.

Eaker said the Germans had concentrated nearly 70 per cent of their fighters in the west—more than double the number on the Russian and Mediterranean fronts combined—but he added "men of the Eighth air force naver have been turned away from their targets by enemy action."

The tonnage dropped during December constituted about a quarter of the Eighth air force's tonnage for the entire year, and boldly underscored the mounting pace of the American aerial offensive which during 1943 included these accomplishments:

Established the feasibility of high-altitude, daylight precision bombing against the enemy's toughest opposition;

Blasted a half dozen main Nazi submarine bases, helping to win the battle of the Atlantic;

Developed a powerful and unprecedented long-range fighter escort system which helped drive home telling blows against German war industry and the Nazi air force—with 3,000 German planes shot down to the loss of about 1,000 American bombers and 150 fighters;

Transformed the Marauder medium bomber from the "ugly duckling," criticized in some quarters as unsafe, to an effective short-range, one-ton bomber with a record of less than one per cent in losses;

And proved that the revolutionary heavy P-47 Thunderbolt, the high-altitude, long-range fighter, is better than any plane the Germans could send up against it.

GERMAN ECONOMY CAN'T MEET NEED

FEA Says It Will Be Unable To Withstand Allied Pressure

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1—(AP)—The judgment that "the German economy cannot possibly be expanded to meet the increasing strength and pressure of the United Nations in 1944," was made public today by the foreign economic administration.

Japan, on the other hand, undoubtedly will be able to boost her production of nearly all kinds of arms in 1944, even though a poverty of shipping handicaps her exploitation of captured territory, the FEA report said.

If left in possession of her conquests for 20 or 30 years, it was stated, Japan "might easily reach the first rank of industrial nations." A collapse of Germany would not affect directly the Japanese economy, it was held, since Japan already is almost wholly self-sufficient.

The findings were prepared by William T. Stone, director of FEA's special areas branch, which handles economic warfare analysis.

As summarized by FEA, Stone's conclusions were:

Germany—"German-dominated Europe is now producing war materials adequate to a prolonged war of defense against Allied offensives of the present magnitude. While economic strains will doubtless contribute to German political and military deterioration during the year, these in themselves will not be sufficiently serious to cause a German collapse. However, the German economy cannot possibly be expanded to meet the increasing strength and pressure of the United Nations offensives in 1944."

Japan—"Japan has passed the peak of its industrial plant expansion, but will undoubtedly be able to increase the production of armaments for defense in 1944. Shipping remains the chief economic weakness which prevents Japan from fully exploiting

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ARCHBISHOP PRAYS FOR VICTORY SOON

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1—(AP)—Archbishop Joseph Francis Rummel in his New Year's message delivered over station WWL today invoked a blessing on all Americans and prayed that "the day of victory may not be far off."

His message implored that "a peace of justice, righteousness and lasting security may compensate for every sacrifice," made in the war.

Archbishop Rummel said that the mass of the American people stands "ready at every cost and every sacrifice to scale the last ridge that separates us from the goal of victory."

He warned against overconfidence, declaring that "the hardest battles, the greatest losses and the severest tests of our courage and endurance have yet to come."

"Let us not cheat ourselves out of the final victory by over-confidence and unwise relaxation of our vigilance and spirit of sacrifice," he said.

"Our boys at the war front dare not, will not, relax. We on the home front must not relax they will not fail us. We must not fail them."

KING PETER IS ON MYSTERIOUS TRIP

Some Immediate Important Development in Balkans Expected

LONDON, Jan. 1—(AP)—King Peter, youthful exiled monarch of Yugoslavia who has been disavowed by the partisan Marshal Josip Broz (Tito), was reported to have left Cairo for a "secret destination" today and reports arose immediately that some Balkan development was imminent.

It was recalled that a spokesman for Peter's government said recently that the Yugoslav "regular" guerilla army under General Draja Mihailovic probably would not be thrown into the current battle against the invading Germans until an Allied army invades the Balkans.

The possibility was not overlooked, also, that King Peter's trip might foreshadow an effort to settle the tangled affairs of his kingdom.

Although there was no definite hint as to the purpose of his mysterious trip, it was recalled also that Peter conferred with Allied leaders during last month's historic Cairo conferences. Unofficial Yugoslav sources here said they doubted the monarch was returning to Yugoslavia in an effort to unite the rival guerilla armies.

Presumably these sources based their belief on the December 22 manifesto of Tito's national council of liberation which "deprived" Peter's government of all rights and "forbade" the king to return until his homeland has been liberated.

Both the United States and Britain, however, still recognize the exiled government although most of the recent Allied aid to Yugoslavia has gone to Tito's armies because they have been doing the heaviest fighting against the Nazis.

King Peter's move came in the wake of an effort of the exiled Greek premier, Emmanuele Tsouderos, to achieve greater unity in his homeland where rival Guerilla armies also have been at swords' points. Tsouderos, who conferred with Allied leaders at Cairo recently, in a New Year's message appealed to Greeks to unite and "constitute a single army" and said Allied liaison officers were authorized to act as intermediaries to settle differences.

DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR RATION TOKENS

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1—(AP)—Extension to January 8 of the deadline for retail grocers to file applications for ration tokens was announced today by George S. Michinard, district OPA rationing executive. He reported that a limited supply of necessary forms are available at board headquarters.

"OPA has extended this deadline because of grocers' crush of business during the holiday season," the chairman said. The original deadline was December 15. A second deadline of December 31 was set but later extended.

Two billion ration tokens, slightly smaller than a dime, will begin flowing throughout the nation February 27, bringing several changes in rationing foods. They will be given as change by retailers for the familiar ration stamps.

AMERICANS TAKE 3 MORE HEIGHTS

Fight In Driving, Icy Rains For Control Of Road To Rome

BRITISH WRECK RAILWAY BRIDGE IN DARING RAID

ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, Algiers, Jan. 1—(AP)—American Fifth army troops, fighting in driving, icy rains for control of the Cassino road to Rome in the jagged hills east of San Vittorio, have seized three more heights, it was announced today, and the Canadian spearhead on the Adriatic coast has driven another mile toward Pescara.

Headquarters also announced that British raiders who penetrated behind the German lines at the mouth of the Garigliano river Wednesday night had demolished an important railway and highway bridge which would have served the enemy for a retreat to the Appian way a few hundred yards north of the river.

The commando tactics of the British inflicted a number of casua[illegible] the Germans and resulted in [illegible] of prisoners who were brought back to the Fifth army.

The communique called it a "daring raid." The headquarters of General Sir Harold Alexander, Allied commander in Italy, gave no further details.

The plodding advances by the Americans and Canadians were made despite defiant German resistance and almost intolerable physical conditions. Miserable weather bogged the drive on the ground and kept most Allied planes out of the air.

The positions taken by the Americans placed them about two miles southwest of Viticuso and approximately half a dozen miles from Cassino, the important road junction 70 miles from Rome.

The status of ruined San Vittorio, whose underground winecellars have been used by the Germans to turn the village into a veritable hedgehog, remained in doubt and Allied headquarters had no confirmation of the capture of the heavily fortified position at the base of Mt. Samucro although the Bari radio, controlled by the government of Marshal Badoglio, announced yesterday it had been taken by the Americans.

Artillery fire demolished virtually every building in the German stronghold controlling the Via Cassino, earlier in the week, but the Nazis fought back fiercely from caves and cellars with mortars and machine guns.

4 CONVICTS STAB GUARD AND FLEE

Two Hostages Taken As Quartet Escapes Iowa Reformatory

ANAMOSA, Ia., Jan. 1—(AP)—Four long-term convicts in the state reformatory here today stabbed a prison guard, seized two hostages, drove with them through the prison gate in plain view of at least three other guards and escaped toward the Illinois state line after terrorizing a farm family and releasing the hostages.

The break, made simpler by the New Year's holiday rules which gave prisoners the freedom of the reformatory yard, followed a fight in the office of Deputy Warden L. J. Womachka, in which Guard Grant Eilers was stabbed by one of the crudely fashioned knives the convicts carried. The prison officials were armed with blackjacks, the only weapons they are permitted to carry inside the reformatory.

The officials finally overcome by the prisoners and held hostages for an hour and a half during a mad flight across the west central part of the state were Deputy Warden Womachka and Shift Captain Dan Beam.

The prisoners who escaped were John Byrl, 31, Omaha; Steve (Everett) Ratliff, 31, Marengo, Ia.; Ralph Cassidy, 34, Davenport, Ia., all serving 25 years for robberies with aggravation; and Frank Brown, alias Frank Radcliff, 23, Poplar Bluff, Mo.,

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THREE LOUISIANA SOLDIERS KILLED

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1—(AP)—Three Louisiana soldiers were among 128 United States soldiers killed in action, the war department announced today.

They were:

Staff Sergeant John E. Gust—Mrs. Annie B. Gust, mother, 930 City Park avenue, New Orleans. Killed in European area.

Private First Class Nicholas C. Mangiaracina—Mrs. Pearl Mangiaracina, wife, 745 City Park avenue, New Orleans. Killed in Mediterranean area.

Staff Sergeant Philip L. Lagarde—Mrs. Irma Lagarde, mother, 327 Monroe street, Lafayette. Killed in southwest Pacific area.

1,000 Japanese Dead On Cape Gloucester

Allied Chief

Air Marshal Trafford L. Leigh-Mallory (above), head of the R. A. F.'s fighter command, has been chosen to lead the aerial forces under General Dwight Eisenhower in the western invasion of Europe. (AP wirephoto)

HOLIDAY VIOLENT DEATHS TOTAL 112

79 Caused By Traffic Accidents, 33 By Other Causes

(By Associated Press)

The nation's New Year week-end celebration passed the half-way mark near midnight last night marred by at least 112 violent deaths.

Of the fatalities reported since 6 p.m., Friday, an Associated Press survey showed that 79 were the result of traffic accidents and 33 from other causes, including fire, gunshot, suffocation and drowning.

The normal toll for the three-day holiday period would range between 225 and 275 lives lost in traffic accidents, the National Safety council estimated.

California, with 13 traffic deaths, led the nation in the number of highway fatalities. New York led from all causes with 16 deaths.

Seven states, Alabama, Arkansas, Connecticut, Maine, Mississippi, North Carolina and South Carolina, reported no deaths by violence.

Listed by states, death struck as follows:

California, 13 traffic, 2 miscellaneous; Colorado, 2 traffic, 1 miscellaneous; Florida, 1 traffic; Georgia, 1 traffic, 1 miscellaneous; Illinois, 6 traffic, 5 miscellaneous; Indiana, 3 traffic; Iowa, 1 traffic; Kentucky, 2 miscellaneous; Louisiana, 1 traffic, 1 miscellaneous; Maryland, 1 traffic; Massachusetts, 3 traffic, 3 miscellaneous; Michigan, 5 traffic, 2 miscellaneous; Minnesota, 2 traffic;

Missouri, 4 traffic, 1 miscellaneous; Montana, 1 traffic; Nebraska, 2 traffic; New Jersey, 3 traffic, 1 miscellaneous; New Mexico, 1 traffic; New York 6 traffic, 10 miscellaneous; Ohio, 3 traffic; Oklahoma 1 traffic; Oregon, 2 traffic; Pennsylvania, 5 traffic, 1 miscellaneous; Tennessee, 1 traffic; Texas, 2 traffic; Utah, 1 traffic; Virginia, 2 traffic; Washington, 4 traffic; Wisconsin, 1 traffic, 3 miscellaneous; Wyoming, 1 traffic.

FINDS WRECKAGE OF TWO ARMY PLANES

SALT LAKE CITY, Jan. 1—(AP)—A civil air patrol pilot, flying "on a hunch," located the burned wreckage of two four-engined army planes near the western shores of Great Salt Lake today. Twenty-four men were reported aboard the bombers.

Captain Carl H. Hellberg, wing operations officer of the Utah CAP, located the two planes, missing from the Wendover, Utah, army air base, since Wednesday, after flying several miles south of the area in which the search was being concentrated. He said the two planes apparently spun to earth after crashing together.

One plane was destroyed by fire and the other partly burned. There was no sign of any survivors, Hellberg said. Search for the craft had been centered approximately 150 miles north of the area in which Hellberg found them.

"I was assigned to the area to the north planes," Hellberg said. "I worked on a hunch, however, and decided to cover all the territory to the south."

Enemy Casualties Estimated At Many Times That Number

ADVANCED ALLIED HEADQUARTERS, New Guinea, Sunday, Jan. 2—(AP)—Marines, pushing a mile and a half beyond the airdrome in expanding their hold on Cape Gloucester, New Britain, have counted more than 1,000 Japanese dead and General MacArthur's headquarters said "the total (enemy) casualties are estimated at many times this figure."

The estimates included wounded removed to areas still held by the Japanese and to slain troops buried the day the invasion opened a week ago today.

The enlargement of the American hold on the northwestern New Britain base was largely a defensive move, intended to provide additional room in which to meet any Japanese counter attacks.

Offensively, the Fifth air force struck a 253-ton bombing blow at the Japanese northeastern New Guinea base of Madang; the Solomons air force, which already has bagged more than 100 enemy planes at Rabaul since December 23, added 20 more during a ton bombing of that northeastern New Britain fortress; and 12 enemy raiders were shot down during attacks on Arawe, the southwest New Britain sector which the Allies invaded December 15.

In the western sector of the Cape Gloucester position, Japanese counterattacks were repulsed at Tauali. A single plane Thursday night attempted one of the few enemy air raids made since the invasion.

Sixty miles to the southeast at Arawe, P47s tangled with Japanese dive bombers and fighters in numerous single actions, downing eight bombers and four fighters for certain and probably two other fighters. No Allied losses were listed.

Nineteen Liberators of the Solomons air force, escorted by fighters, were opposed by heavy anti-aircraft fire and between 80 and 90 Japanese fighters as they raided Rabaul Friday noon. Many fires were started with the 78,000 pounds of explosives.

A spokesman for Admiral William F. Halsey said 20 enemy fighters were shot down for certain and six others probably destroyed. His figures were based on reports received after General MacArthur's communique was issued today, listing 12 enemy losses.

One raiding bomber was lost and several were damaged but Nipponese planes failed again to hit the Liberators with aerial phosphorous bombs.

STIMSON STATES BIG ATTACK NEAR

Asserts Main Masses Of Enemy Troops Yet To Be Encountered

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1—(AP)—President Roosevelt and Secretary of War Stimson emphasized the imminence of great United Nations offensive in new year statements today. The chief executive also said the Allies are giving attention now to post-war alleviation of unemployment and other forms of "economic and social distress."

Still confined to his bed with a slight attack of grippe, although reported as making "satisfactory progress," the president declared in a statement:

"Our armed forces are gathering for new and greater assaults which will bring about the downfall of the Axis aggressors."

From his war department office, Secretary Stimson released a pronouncement that "we stand on the threshold of a titanic and decisive

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6 PLEDGE SUPPORT TO CIVIL SERVICE

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1—(AP)—Wilson S. Callender, secretary of the Louisiana Civil Service league, announced today that six of the eight gubernatorial candidates had pledged themselves to the league as favoring civil service. Callender said the remaining two candidates had not been heard from yet.

The responses were received in reply to a questionnaire sent to the candidates by the league in which the candidates were asked to pledge themselves to uphold the civil service law and oppose any change in the 1940 laws setting up this merit system.

Callender said pledges had been received from James H. Davis, Sam S. Caldwell, Lee Lanier, Lewis L. Morgan, Vincent Moseley and Dudley J. LeBlanc.

He said no response had yet been received from James H. Morrison and Ernest Clements.

RUSSIANS SEIZE BELOKOROVICHI

Soviet Troops Throw Retreating Germans Out Of 300 Villages

DEFEAT GREATEST DEALT NAZIS SINCE STALINGRAD

LONDON, Sunday, Jan. 2—(AP)—Red army troops—capitalizing on the greatest German military debacle since Stalingrad—lunged to within 27 miles of the pre-war Polish border yesterday in pursuit of demoralized German troops who were throwing away their guns, Moscow announced early today.

Inflicting huge losses on the Nazis, General Nikolai Vatutin's First Ukrainian army captured Belokorovichi on the Kiev-Warsaw railway, and also began an enveloping drive on Novograd Volynski, a rail and highway junction less than 20 miles from Poland. Novograd Volynski is the last German stronghold barring the way to a Red army smash into Poland.

As the advance of Vatutin's men threatened the possible entrapment of 50 German divisions in the southern Ukraine, Russian guerillas operating behind the Nazi lines were revealed to be wrecking key enemy rail lines and in the region of the Rumanian border.

The Russian war bulletin, recorded here by the Soviet monitor, also announced that General Ivan Bagramian's First Baltic army had swept through 28 more villages west and northwest of Nevel, reaching points within 50 miles of the Latvian border.

With the capture of Belokorovichi, an important rail center, the First Ukrainian army had advanced some 28 miles beyond Korosten at the northwestern end of the Kiev salient.

Vatutin's army also was moving on Berdichev, another key rail center 25 miles below captured Zhitomir. Along the southern side of the Kiev salient his forces had outflanked Belaya Tserkov in a drive pointed at the Bug river near Vinnitsa.

In all the war bulletin said 1,500 Germans were killed in the Kiev salient.

Front dispatches told of the Germans retreating so fast they left decorated Christmas trees in their quarters while the scope of the Nazi demoralization was underlined by the Soviet communique's reference to the routing of a German divisional headquarters.

Belokorovichi, a rail center, is 27 miles beyond Korosten and the same distance from the old Polish border.

In a double move on Novograd Volynski, a highway and rail junction less than 20 miles from Poland, Soviet troops seized Barashi and Sokolov. Barashi is 18 miles northeast of Novograd-Volynski while Sokolov is the same distance southeast of the rail junction. The Russians also took Novi-Zavod, 27 miles west of Zhitomir.

Accompanying this Russian surge far beyond Kiev, the communique also announced that General Ivan Bragramian's first Baltic army had captured 28 populated areas west and northwest of Nevel in a renewed drive toward Latvia. Other Red army units were tightening their hold on Vitebsk below Nevel.

Vatutin's army was closing hard upon Berdichev, the junction of the Leningrad-Odessa and Warsaw-Odessa railway lines 25 miles below Zhitomir, which fell Friday to the Russians.

By capturing Volodarka his forces also have outflanked deeply Belaya Tserkov along the southern side of the Kiev salient. Volodarka is 12 miles

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QUICK COMMANDING ALEXANDRIA BASE

ALEXANDRIA, La., Jan. 1—(AP)—Lieutenant Colonel Quentin T. Quick, Flying Fortress pilot who led the first huge aerial attack on Naples and who flew on 35 raids over Europe and Africa, has assumed command of the Alexandria army air base, it was announced today at base headquarters.

Lieutenant Colonel Quick succeeds Colonel Ralph E. Koon, veteran of the southwest Pacific, who has been assigned to new duties at headquarters of the 46th bombardment wing, Ardmore, Okla.

As a group formation and flight leader, and for his skill in combat, Colonel Quick was awarded two silver stars, the distinguished flying cross and the air medal with six clusters.

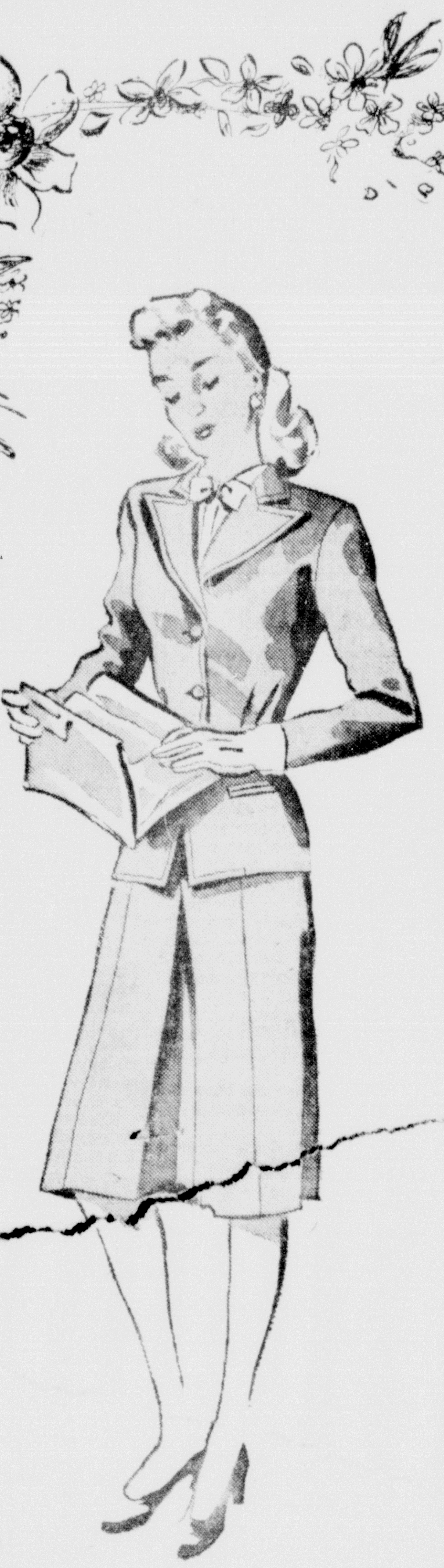
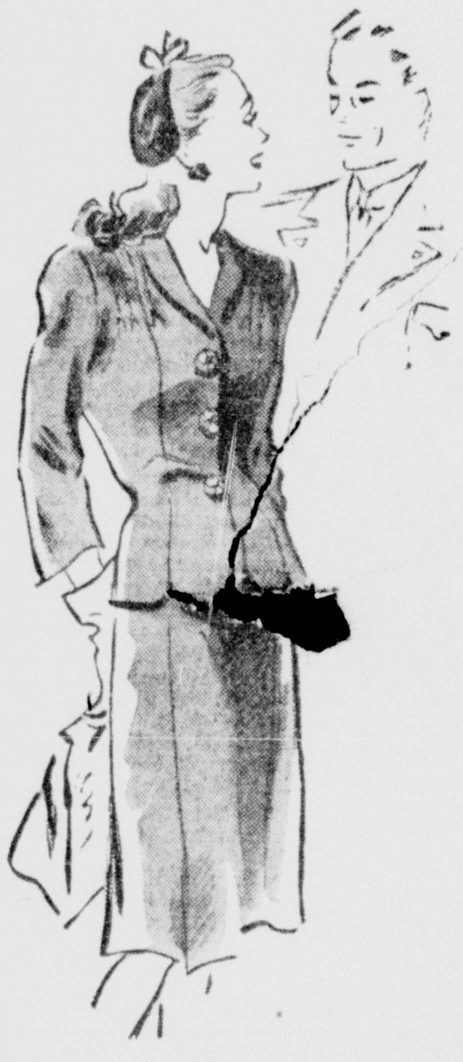
That simulated combat missions is the key to successful training of heavy bombardment crews is the belief of Colonel Quick, who stressed the importance of large formations and high altitude flying as two means of practicing combat conditions.

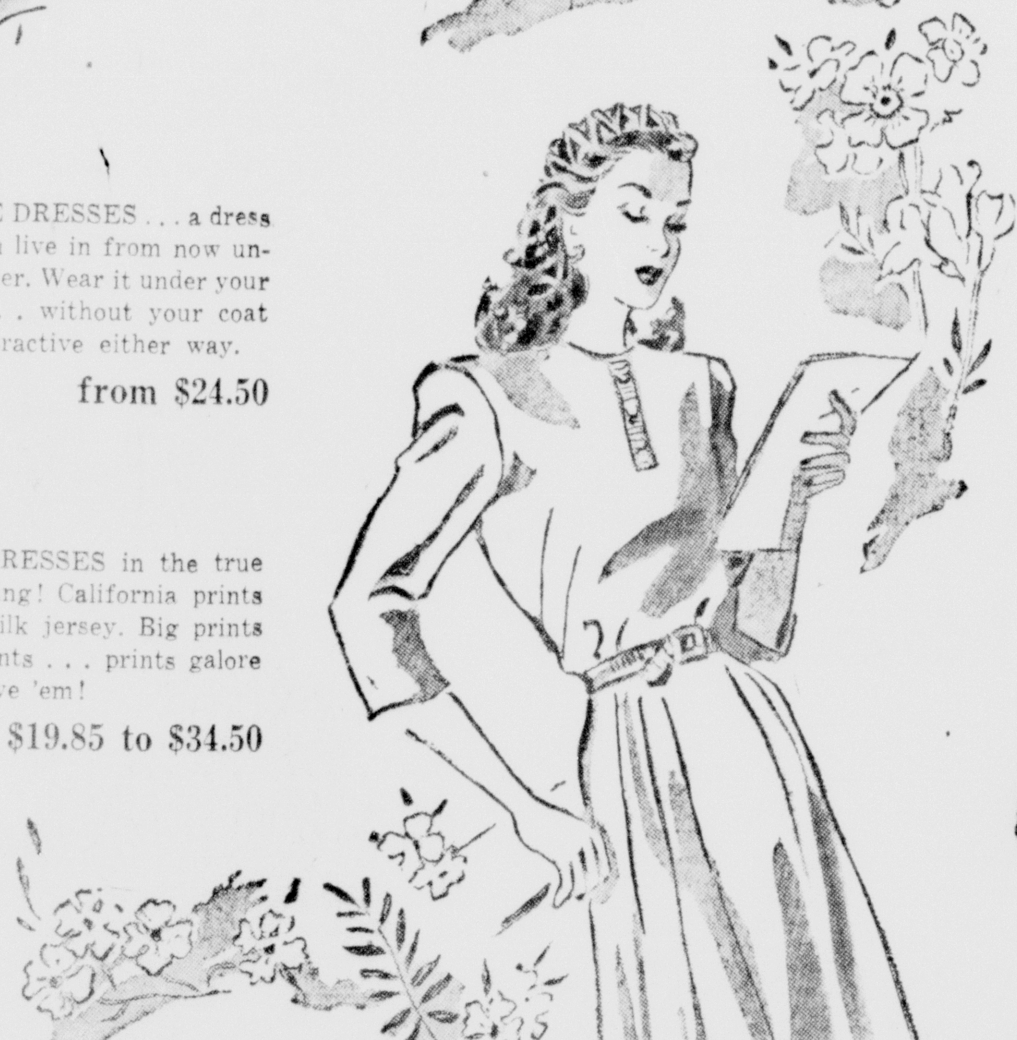
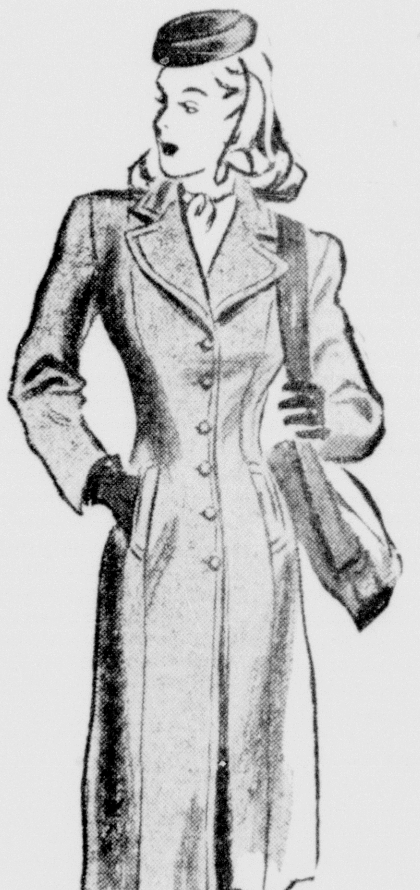
Alexandria air base, functioning as a combat crew training school, prepares Flying Fortress crews for overseas duty.

Colonel Quick commanded a heavy bombardment squadron which arrived in England in June, 1942, and moved to Africa in November. Between December 4 and January 30, 1943, he led some 20 high altitude bombing missions, all resulting in heavy loss to the Axis and culminating with a raid on Ferryville during which his formation was credited with destroying five enemy ships.

His formations battered Bizerte and the Tunisian coast, Palermo and Sicily, Sardinia and Naples.

Lieutenant Colonel Quick is from Bellingham, Wash.

Piquant Pastels

More welcome than the first robin, are these spring tonics for winter wardrobes. Coats in balmy weather fabrics; suits in outdoor pastels; dresses you'll start wearing now under your furs, and continue wearing thru spring! ONE of these silhouettes is sure to do more for your figure than anything you own!

Above:
TWO-PIECE DRESSES . . . a dress that you can live in from now until hot weather. Wear it under your coat now . . . without your coat later on, attractive either way.
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COTTON PICKER WILL BE IN USE

Experimental Models Expected To Harvest Some Fleece In 1944

GREENVILLE, Miss., Jan. 1.—(AP)—War and priorities may block it off for a while, but if the plans of an Illinois farm implement manufacturing company are realized, future generations will know the colorful negro cotton picker only through Stephen Foster's songs.

The south's plantation owners and landlords have long dreamed of a mechanical cotton picker which would sweep through the rows of fleecy fiber, and strip it from the bolls with a minimum of dirt and foliage at a rate unthought of in the days of crinoline, fast horses and good bourbon.

The Illinois company, which purchased the patent rights to the Berry mechanical picker, says that the machine is a reality and that when certain improvements are made, the mechanical picker wil be in the reach of most cotton planters.

The picker was invented in 1921 by H. N. Berry, owner and manager of one of the delta's largest automobile firms. He reasoned that the machine age which planted and cultivated cotton also should harvest it.

After lengthy study and experiments, Berry decided that the spindle-type picker was the best. He believed that the steel-barbed spindles revolving on drums to pick the lint from the bolls would operate successfully where the pneumatic types failed. Subsequent tests served to substantiate his theory.

He continued his experiments after obtaining additional capital from wealthy persons in the delta and elsewhere. But he died in 1928 before his invention reached the stage where its manufacture would be financially practicable on a large scale.

His son, Charles R. Berry, took up where his father left off, however, and experimented until he perfected the present two-row machine which is simpler and much lighter than the original model.

Charles Berry was hired by the implement company after it bought the patents. He will direct development of the new picker, which the company said it anticipated would replace many of the present hand pickers. The displacement would occur gradually, the company said, and would not replace labor for some years.

Experimental models of the new picker were expected to be in operation in the southern cotton belt during the 1944 picking season.

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WILLIAMS ACTING FCA GENERAL AGENT

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1.—(AP)—William K. McWilliams, secretary of the Production Credit corporation of New Orleans, has been appointed acting general agent for the Farm Credit administration of New Orleans, said announcement today by J. M. Magruder, president of the Federal Intermediate Credit bank.

Magruder has been acting as general agent since Stanley Andrews was granted leave to join the armed forces.

McWilliams will have the responsibility of coordinating the activities of the Federal Land bank, the Federal Intermediate Credit bank, the Production Credit corporation and the New Orleans Bank for Cooperatives, the four credit institutions serving agriculture in the states of Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

McWilliams was born on a farm in Kemper county, Mississippi. He was graduated from Mississippi State college with a bachelor of science degree and served in the first world war as lieutenant of infantry.

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BOMBER RIDDLED, SAVED BY JUMP

Capt. Don Milam Writes Some Of His South Pacific Experiences

RUSTON, Jan. 1.—(Special)—Forced to jump from his B-25 bomber after it was riddled by gunfire from Jap Zeros over China, Captain Don H. Milam of Ruston, a graduate of Louisiana Tech, has been living a life packed with thrills.

Operating with the 14th air force, under command of Major General Claire Chennault of Louisiana, Captain Milam and crew were compelled to bail out last October 26, but they returned safely to their base after being tentatively reported as missing in action.

Some of the details of this phase of Captain Milam's experiences have recently been learned here by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Milam, Jr. Lieutenant Guy Baird, bombardier aboard Captain Milam's plane, gave a report of the incident in a letter to his mother, Mrs. Guy Baird of Grand Prairie, Tex. Some excerpts from the letter, which was forwarded recently to Mrs. Milam, are as follows:

"Our right engine was shot out. . . . We managed to stay in the air long enough to get back to friendly territory, then bailed out. The co-pilot had been shot in the back, but it wasn't serious.

"Three of us lit within shouting distance, but Milam, who was flying and was last to leave the ship, landed about five miles away. We didn't get together until the next day.

"We finally made the natives understand who we were and where we wanted to go. They led us to a small village and we stayed in the mayor's house that night. We were still worried as to whether he would get in touch with Americans or Japanese. You see, there is still quite a sizeable reward for members of our organization by the Japs. However, we decided to trust them and it turned out for the be

"The next day we found Milam an started our long trip back. We rod horses about the size of Shetland ponies. They had broad, hard saddles, and we were worn raw. Finally we arrived in another village and spent the night there, where they contacted by phone one of our advance bases.

"When we reached the advance base we were feted. We went into town and had a big time. The next night we went in again as guests of some Chinese officials. We ate crabs, egg soup and rice birds. The rice birds are quite a novelty. If you don't eat them your host feels insulted. The bird is almost half the size of a sparrow. It is cleaned and the feathers are plucked, then it is fried hard. You eat the head, the bones and all. Quite a delicacy."

Captain Milam has been in action since August, 1942. He spent two months in India and over Burma with the 10th air force before moving into the China sector, where he has earned the Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism and outstanding achievement and the air medal for meritorious action.

He earned his D. F. C. after a raid near Hankow on July 26. More than 50 Zeros reportedly attempted to intercept his group, but the officer kept his flight together and made a successful bombing run to hit vital installations without losing personnel or planes, the citation said. His own gunners shot down 10 enemy fighters, it was confirmed.

In September, Captain Milam was reported to have led a successful raid of Mitchell bombers on the Japanese iron smelting plant and foundry at Shiweyayo near Hankow, doing severe damage to crane installations and ore cars.

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PRIORITIES AGENT TO VISIT MONROE

Fred L. Seaman, priorities representative from the war production board in New Orleans, will spend Monday and Tuesday of this week in the Chamber of Commerce office at the Virginia hotel, it was announced Saturday by Lester Scharff, chairman of the chamber's information service committee.

The general public is invited to make contact with this priorities' expert for any advice needed on this subject, Mr. Scharff stated.

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WHO'S WHO IN COLLEGES GIVEN

Four From This Area Are Listed In Newest Volume Published

"Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges" has just been issued for the current year and lists four from the Twin Cities and Columbia.

They are Mary Jane Dickard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clem K. Dickard, 1108 North Sixth street, Monroe, student in Louisiana Tech; Mary Evelyn Durden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Y. H. Durden, DeSiard road, student at State Normal; Ragan Casper De Freese, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin L. DeFreese, West Monroe, a student at Louisiana Tech; and Adele Reddit, daughter of Mrs. W. I. Redditt, of Columbia, Newcomb college.

Miss Dickard is a member of Sigma Kappa sorority of which she is vice-president; business manager of her college newspaper; treasurer of the Women's league; treasurer of the Y. W. C. A.; was named outstanding undergraduate girl of 1942-1943. She has been active in theatricals in college.

Miss Durden is a member of Kappa Delta Pi fraternity; the Purple Jacket club has been on the dean's list for every semester; is president of the junior dormitory; secretary of the women's council member of the Wesley Foundation; member of the Girls' Glee club and of the double trio. She is a graduate of the Ouachita Parish High school class of 1941.

Ragan De Freese graduated at Ouachita Parish High school in 1940. He was selected by the deans, department heads, and organization presidents as the most outstanding among juniors and seniors in college. He is president of Kappa Sigma; president of Alpha Phi Omega; representative on the Student Union; treasurer of the Inter-Fraternity council; was vice-president of Kappa Alpha and treasurer of the Student Senate; has served as historian of Alpha Phi Omega; sergeant-at-arms of Kappa Sigma fraternity pledges and is active in the Methodist student center.

Miss Redditt is a member of Phi Mu sorority; was recording secretary of the Student Government association in 1943-1944; member of the student council; member of Panhellenic council and co-editor of the Panhellenic handbook; member of the Newcomb orchestra, Glee club; festival choir; and Student Opera group and chapel organist. She was first honor student at Columbia High when she graduated in 1941.

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Safety matches were first used in 1855.

WHAT about the WAC?

A series of questions and answers about the Women's Army Corps.

(Women interested in joining the WAC may do so at room 307 in the Monroe postoffice.)

Series I

1. What is the WAC?

WAC stands for Women's Army corps. When you join the WAC you are actually a part of the army of the United States. You don't pull triggers or fire cannon. But you take over a vital army job behind the lines—a job that is essential to our victory.

The WAC is organized exactly like any other unit of our army. A WAC gets regular army pay. She is subject to army regulations. And she's as proud of her uniform as any soldier is.

Being a WAC is one of the vital jobs a woman can do in this war. It's a serious work. It isn't a tea party. But to a patriotic American woman, it's a real and important challenge.

2. Why are women needed for military service?

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For this war is bigger, more terrible than any in history. To win it, you, the women of America, are needed as well as your men. From all army command areas an urgent call has come for more WACs—thousands more are needed.

Every day your soldiers are risking their lives. You can help them win their fight sooner by taking over important tasks behind the lines—tasks which can often be done more easily by women than by men.

This is your challenge—your obligation. Can you refuse to accept it—when it may be within your power to help shorten the war? You are needed—now. Join the WAC!

3. What will I do in the Wac?

Any one of 155 important army jobs. Maybe you'll do photographic work with the signal corps. Maybe your weather observations will be the "go ahead" for our bombers to take off. You may handle the coding of messages; type vital reports; make serial maps; run a switchboard in a busy army headquarters. Whatever you do—even if it is monotonous and routine—you'll know it's vital to winning the war.

4. May I do a different kind of work from the work I've done before?

The needs of the service must, of course, come first. But whenever possible, your wishes will be considered when you are given your assignment. If you're already skilled in some job for which WACs are needed, it will probably be in this kind of work that you can be most useful to the army.

5. What if I've had no special training?

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6. What do WACs do at army airfields?

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NATIONAL P.-T. A. OFFICER SLATED

Mrs. Newton P. Leonard, field secretary of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, will arrive in Louisiana January 4, to begin a series of visits to various districts with a view toward increasing and improving the P.-T. A. movement in this state. The announcement was made by Mrs. W. S. Vincent, Monroe, first vice-president of the state organization and director of districts.

Plans for the tour of this national officer were formulated following requests from district directors. These requests came in answer to form letters mailed last May to district directors throughout Louisiana in an attempt to estimate the need and practicability of asking for assistance from the national field secretary. Information from these sources indicated that some districts felt the necessity of such assistance in promulgating the P.-T. A. movement, helping in the organization of units and giving aid to directors of these groups, Mrs. Vincent said. In some instances leaders are quite willing to work, but they have not received sufficient training in the field to enable them to carry out an effective program, she explained.

The questionnaires also showed that some district directors emphasized the problem of fitting a standardized P.-T. A. program to the needs of rural communities. This problem, they indicated, might be solved or remedied by the training and experience of a national officer.

Mrs. Leonard will begin her itinerary of the state by visiting Ruston, where she will arrive January 4. After working there for several days, she will make trips to other towns in this section, then she is scheduled to go to south Louisiana. Her stay will include about four weeks.

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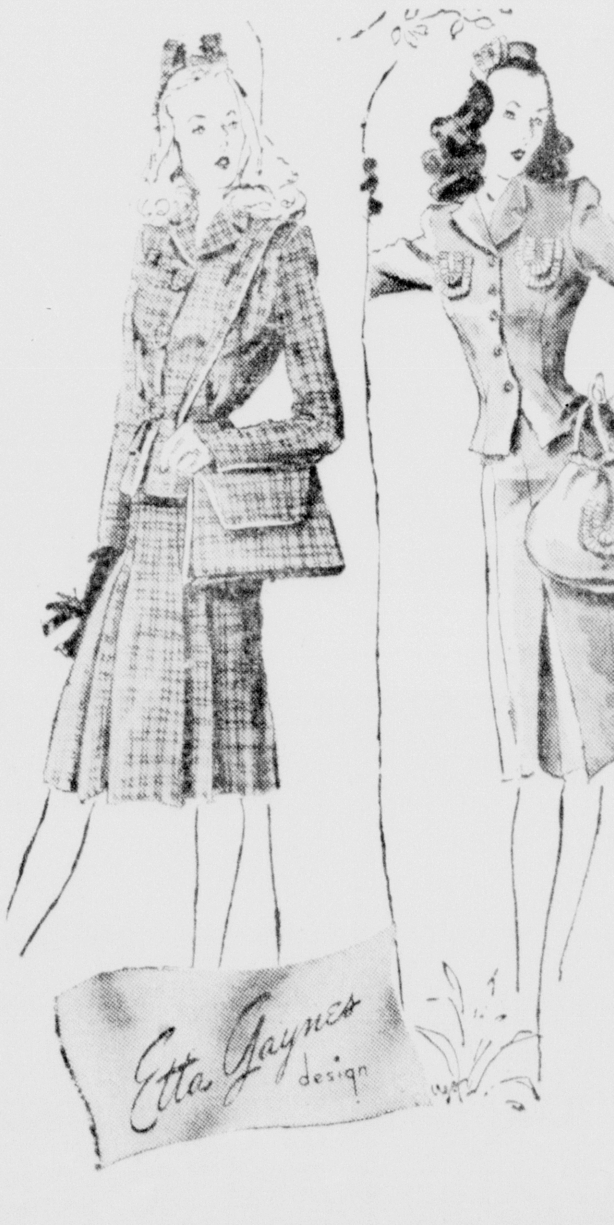

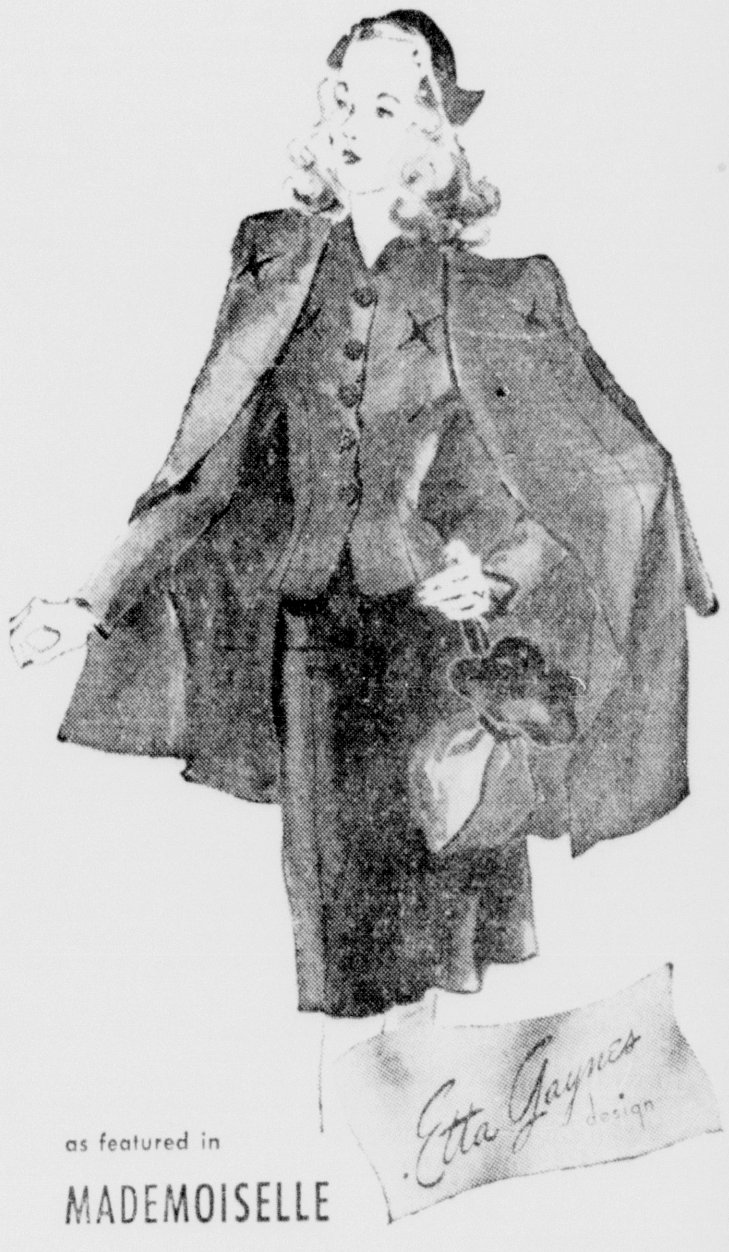

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The Davis Candidacy

In a letter to the Ewing newspapers, Mayor H. B. Chambers of Mangham, in Richland parish, raises some pertinent points concerning the present gubernatorial campaign. His questions deal especially with the candidacy of Jimmie Davis and the quandary it has produced for many voters, both those who are pro-Sam Jones and those who are anti-Sam Jones but not necessarily pro-Maestri-Morgan-Long-Noe.

Mayor Chambers took no sides in his letter. He simply posed problems, which we present herewith, the wording of the questions cited being ours but the subject matter being from the substance of Mayor Chambers' letter:

> (1).—If Mr. Morgan is the Maestri-New Orleans ring candidate, and Jimmie Davis is the Prescott Foster candidate, what has become of Governor Sam Jones in all of this? (2).—If Jimmie Davis is the Sam Jones candidate, why isn't he tied into Governor Jones and endorsed by the governor? (3).—If he's not the Sam Jones candidate, why are Foster and others of the Jones administration letting it go around that he is?

The News-Star—World cannot tie any candidate into anyone unless the tie actually exists to begin with. The backing of candidates and the environment which produced their candidacies are matters of facts and of acts of those concerned and not of opinion.

> **Governor Sam Jones did not bring out Jimmie Davis as a candidate; Governor Jones had nothing to do with bringing out Jimmie Davis; he has not endorsed Jimmie Davis.**

When Davis people present Jimmie Davis in some anti-Jones parts of the state as "not a Sam Jones candidate because he has no endorsement from Sam Jones," and then present him to pro-Jones elements as "really a Sam Jones candidate because he has the backing of the Jones office-holders," they are practicing plain political hypocrisy—and plain political dishonesty would not be too strong a phrase. They are doubly dishonest politically when they tell state employes they must vote for Davis to hold their jobs. Civil service protects every state employe and it was in the Sam Jones administration that it came into being in Louisiana. Nothing could be more hypocritical than Sam Jones office-holders trying to swing a political blackjack over state employes protected by civil service.

So far as Jimmie Davis himself is concerned, he insists he is "on his own." As for the manner in which Davis got into this race and became the Foster et al machine candidate, we have stated the facts and repeat them again:

> Foster and some of the Baton Rouge state department heads were ready to run Pat Tugwell when the Burton federal oil trial made him no longer suitable and they were left without a candidate. They turned to Jimmie Davis, at whom they previously had scoffed, and who was not then an announced candidate. Foster held meetings in Shreveport, in Baton Rouge and elsewhere trying to get former Sam Jones backing for Davis. Foster and his group met some failures and some successes and Davis entered the race with their full backing and as their hand-picked, though second choice, candidate.

Governor Jones neither helped get Davis into the race, nor has he endorsed him since.

We present these things not as an argument, for or against any candidate. They're simply facts and we believe the voters of Louisiana have a right to know about them before marking their ballots. We are not discussing the question of whether one candidate or another is helped or hurt by these facts. They are the truth and should be known to all voters.

> **In this situation some of Davis' backers have found it "politically expedient" to present Davis as a two-sided candidate, revealing the supposed anti-Jones complexion in some parts of the state and displaying the supposed Jones side in other sections, whichever they think will get the most votes.**

Jimmie Davis is the only candidate given this two-sided presentation.

Lewis Morgan is openly the front for the Maestri-Long-Noe New Orleans crowd and makes no bones of it except to try to make his position seem less unfavorable by insisting he did not seek their support.

Sam Caldwell is purely and simply an independent candidate. He announced his candidacy six weeks before Davis, and long before Morgan. He has no political machine and no political bosses now and wont have any as governor.

The News-Star—World endorsed Sam Caldwell because we consider him better qualified than any other man in the race for governor. We know that win, lose or draw Caldwell voters will be able to look in the mirror the morning after election and meet their own eyes without turning away. We repeat that the question of whether Louisiana has a government administration that is clean, honest AND capably handled can be settled in the first primary simply by putting Sam Caldwell into the second primary. As a second primary candidate he would walk away from either Davis or Morgan.

Of course Sam Caldwell's campaign has been uphill. He knew it would be when he entered and we knew it would be when we endorsed him. Clean, decent, capable candidates, bucking machines built by political bosses and would-be bosses, never win except by running uphill.

> **Sam Jones ran that way in 1939-40. Certainly everyone connected with the Sam Jones campaign knows that in the early and middle parts of the first primary Long led. Noe was second and Jones was third. He was fighting two political machines—Long's and Noe's. He skimped into the second primary against both of them and then was elected.**

Independency is typically American and it is always victorious when on the war path. It is on the warpath now in behalf of Sam Caldwell and it knows the independent votes will be counted—with voting machines in New Orleans to balk the Maestri-Morgan-Long-Noe gang and civil service throughout the state to block the Prescott Foster et als.

Foster seeks to be a king-maker over the people of Louisiana but he's never been chosen by the people for anything, nor have many of those closely associated with him. His Davis-candidacy associates are mostly appointive state officials or ex-officials in posts with payrolls extending into many parishes. They now are trying to use the payroll and the personnel to satisfy their own lust for continuing and increasing political power in state government in which they were never placed by the people to begin with. They are not Maestris but politically they want to be.

There isn't any question about the role of Foster and his et als as would-be king-makers. They engineered the Davis candidacy and they seek to engineer the state government. They brought Davis out "on their own" and for themselves.

Regardless of whether this situation helps or hinders any one candidate, or who he may be, the fact remains that it is a shroud of plain political hypocrisy and deception and that it spreads over the whole Foster-Davis-et al candidacy. Nothing that happens from now on can change that.

Jimmie Fidler

IN HOLLYWOOD

HOLLYWOOD, Jan. 2.—For their own protection—to say nothing of the entertainment interests of the public—Hollywood's big shots should get together and do something to prevent the annoying duplication of picture themes. The average fan is constantly being ridden right out of the theater on "cycles."

Consider, for instance, the epidemic of dramas about civilian revolt in occupied Europe. The first evidence of that rash, if I remember correctly, was "The Moon Is Down." In quick succession came "Edge of Darkness, "Chetniks," "This Land Is Mine," "The Girl (or was it a boy?) From Leningrad" and half-a-dozen others. Each one, in its own right, may have been an excellent picture, but they were as alike in theme and treatment as the Dionnes.

The lustre was rubbed off that particular brand of movie months ago—yet the deluge continues. Goldwin's "North Star" could have been written with ditto marks and so could MGM's "The Cross of Lorraine" and Columbia's "First Comes Courage." By now any regular theater-goer should be able to predict all such plot developments in advance.

There should be some way [illegible] studios would indulge in a little [illegible]on, to forestall formula production. How about a gentleman's agreement to let the first applicant have exclusive rights to an idea—or, since this is a sporting town, how about a friendly session of gin rummy, with the winner taking all?

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An executive of one of radio polls, which by telephoning John and Jane Public, ascertains which program people prefer, tells me that at least twenty per cent of the persons contacted seem resentful and decline to cooperate. Such an antagonistic attitude must be due to misunderstanding, for these polls are the listener's best friends. Their one purpose is to ascertain your likes and dislikes in radio entertainment—and their reports enable program sponsors to give you the shows you want. By cooperating, you are serving yourself.

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According to her testimony in divorce court, Veronica Lake was annoyed with her husband because he wanted her to quit pictures. Gosh! If that sentiment is enough to provoke her wrath, just think of all the other people Veronica has cause to resent!

On the base of a statue of Leslie Howard, soon to be erected in London, will be engraved the words: "Leslie Howard, the Gentle Cynic." My dictionary defines a cynic as "a misanthrope—one who believes that all human conduct should be motivated by self-interest." If that definition is correct, it is not appropriate to inscribe the word, even when qualified by the adjective "gentle," on a statue of Leslie Howard. He considered self-interest so unimportant that he threw his own financial interest overboard, the minute war broke out, to give full-time service to his country and to an ideal. And, despite poor health, he carried on until duty cost him his life. The world would be a better place if it contained more "cynics" like Leslie Howard.

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I have always scoffed at the average star's egotistical yen to write and direct his own pictures, but there's an exception to every rule. The exception in this case is named Mae West, whose latest picture, "The Heat's On," is currently getting an unmerciful panning from the critics. The buxom Mae has always been a unique personality. On the stage, she created nary a ripple until she began writing her own material. In pictures, whenever studios have been unwise enough to try forcing her into some one else's mold, she has been sub-par. And in this new picture, that is exactly what happened. The failure is going to hurt her career; Hollywood is very apt to label her passe. But Hollywood should take some of the blame, if she is washed up. I'll give anyone odds that Mae, if given a free hand, as she once was, in selecting her own stories and writing her own dialogue, could still regain the top.

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Three years ago, Sigrid Gurie (now returning to pictures in "The Voice in the Wind") owned Hollywood's largest private zoo. Her pets (believe it or not, Mr. Ripley) numbered 1,000 birds and 500 animals, including more than a score of ocelots and bears. Meeting Miss Gurie on the set the other day, she sadly informed me that she has been forced to sell her menagerie to public zoos because of the meat shortage and the dearth of hired help. A lady in distress always touches my emotions—but I can't fight off one consoling thought. In addition to her zoo, Sigrid also had neighbors.

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BY HENRY McLEMORE

By J. P. McEvoy

"But is it Art?" That was the question you used to hear. Even out here in Hollywood where art is a business and vice versa. But you don't hear much about art anymore. Even the artists out here are too entranced with the commercial possibilities. A few days ago I heard a new definition for a Hollywood genius—a producer who can make a picture today that will lose money.

"But is it acting?" That indeed is the question. You'll get a dozen answers but no agreement. Yesterday by curious coincidence I had luncheon with Cecil B. DeMille and dinner with Samuel Goldwyn—two top veterans in the business. It was Goldwyn who gave DeMille his first job directing "The Squaw Man" for a hundred dollars a week. Before this Goldwyn had never seen a picture made—neither had DeMille.

However, C. B. spent one day at the old Edison studios in New York and reported to Goldwyn that night—"If that's all there is to making pictures, I will be knighted in a year." That was enough for Goldwyn who put DeMille on the train for Los Angeles, accompanied, as Goldwyn tells it, by DeMille's chauffeur who later became a studio manager.

Anyway, our luncheon talk got around to acting, and with a little coaxing I persuaded DeMille to talk about his new picture, "The Story of Dr. Wassell," starring Gary Cooper, with the eager beaver assistance of the best actor in the McEvoy clan, a lad named Renny. I wanted to talk about Renny, and DeMille wanted to talk about Gary, so we talked about Gary.

"A great actor," said DeMille. "He knows just where and when to move and how fast. No matter what he is doing he can see the camera out of the corner of his eye and he always manages to be photographed at his best angle, no matter what the action calls for."

That night with DeMille's words ringing in my ears I asked Goldwyn what he thought about Gary Cooper as an actor. As you may recall, it was Goldwyn who discovered Cooper and it was in Goldwyn pictures that he developed into a great star, so surely here was an authority.

"Gary is a wonderful fellow," said Goldwyn, "but he can't act. He doesn't have to act. All he needs to do is to be Gary Cooper. And that's what he does. Whatever role he's playing, he's always Gary Cooper. That's one character he knows how to play better than anything else. He's made a study of it."

Well, there you have it. Who's right? Who's wrong? The curious thing about it is that they're both right, for what DeMille calls acting, Goldwyn calls performance. The tricks that Cooper has studied and mastered—of presenting Cooper to the camera and to the audience in the most effective way are tricks of performance. But DeMille is right, too, they are also acting tricks—or skills, or techniques.

Personality is the most important thing a picture star can have. The movie industry was built on personalities plus performance—not actors plus acting. And the old boys in the old days knew this and capitalized on it.

Mack Sennett who made the Keystone comedies was shooting a scene once in which a little actress was supposed to dissolve slowly into a pool of unhappy tears. Now this was a tough little bimbo who had never cried about anything and Sennett simply couldn't break her down. Finally he gave up. "All right," he said, "I'll have to get another girl for the part. You're through, too bad. Goodbye." And he walked off the set.

But before he left he told the camera man to keep his machine loaded and trained on the girl. At first she was furious, then defiant. But Sennett was really stopping work for the day. Undoubtedly he meant what he said! She began to think about herself and her troubles. Was this the end? Fired by Sennett? Who would hire her? Goodbye jewels, dresses, swimming pools. Back to hometown Joe, the village drayman.

The vision was so appalling she burst into tears and howled with grief and self-pity. The camera man cranked away and recorded this epic sorrow for a grateful posterity.

"What an actress!" said the critics.

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SINGING MEET SLATED TODAY

The first-Sunday-of-the-month singing convention will meet at the Missouri Pacific clubhouse, Ouachita avenue, this afternoon at the usual time of 1:30 p.m.

It is expected that unusual interest will be shown at this first meeting of 1944 and that there will be participants from Arkansas, Texas and many cities and towns of the immediate area.

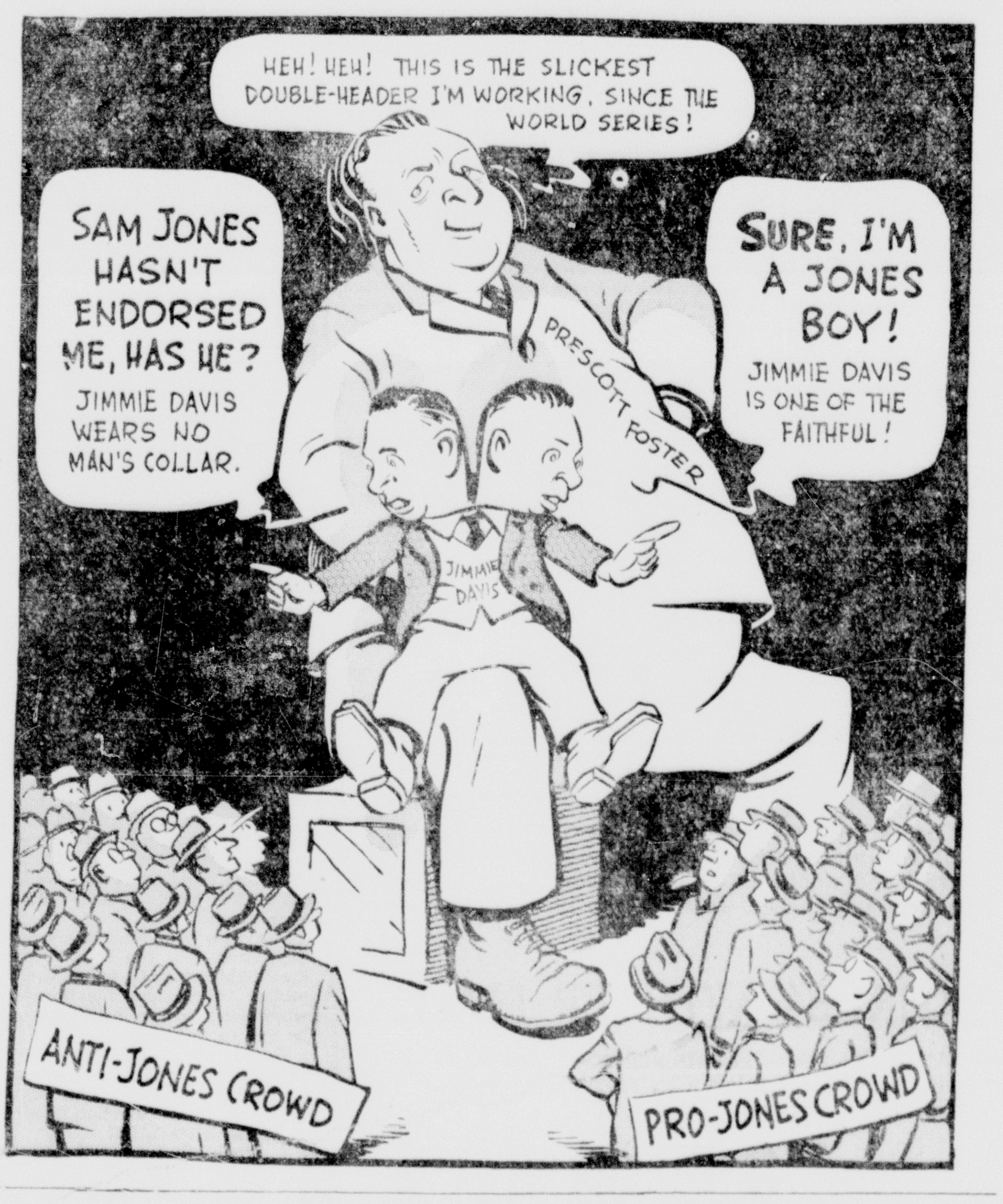
LEGION POST TO MEET ON MONDAY

The L. B. Faulk post of the American Legion will meet for the first time in the new year at the memorial home in Forsythe park, Monday at 8 p.m.

It is urged that all members attend and start a clean record in attendance for 1944.

A number of interesting matters will be considered at the meeting it is stated.

THE DOUBLE-TALK CANDIDACY


HEH! HEH! THIS IS THE SLICKEST DOUBLE-HEADER I'M WORKING, SINCE THE WORLD SERIES!
SAM JONES HASN'T ENDORSED ME, HAS HE? JIMMIE DAVIS WEARS NO MAN'S COLLAR.
SURE, I'M A JONES BOY! JIMMIE DAVIS IS ONE OF THE FAITHFUL!
PRESCOTT FOSTER
JIMMIE DAVIS
ANTI-JONES CROWD
PRO-JONES CROWD

IN WASHINGTON

By Peter Edson
(Monroe Morning World Washington Correspondent)

Heartiest welcome given to the Americans returning on the Gripsholm after their year and a half of captivity by the Japanese came from representatives of various government agencies dealing with the Far Eastern theaters of war. The glad-hand stuff extended by the welcomers wasn't just being polite. What the government representatives wanted most was to hire the repatriates to go to work for their Uncle Sam. People speaking Japanese were in particular demand. Army, navy, state, strategic services and office of war information personnel officers were chasing the Gripsholm passengers all over New York, as fast as they were released by the F. B. I., trying to lure them into government service.

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The threat of North Carolina's 70-year-old senior Senator Josiah W. Bailey to form a southern Democratic party because "we are tired of being scorned as southern Democrats" is of more than passing interest in view of his record in congress. Senator Bailey is now serving his third term in the senate, having been first elected in 1930. In both the 1936 and 1942 elections, he plastered the state with notice of his voting record in congress to show how he had supported the administration program.

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Strongly Influential

On the record, he might pass for a good New Deal senator. Yet few senators have worked harder, by amendment and legislative maneuvering, to modify New Deal proposals as they passed through congress. Seldom making a speech, he yet wields considerable influence. Currently, his major effort is to remove fire insurance company rate making from control under the Sherman anti-trust law, which has been one of the New Deal's pets.

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Army air forces now fly 150 different types of planes, and pilots of the ferrying division of the air transport command must be able to fly them all.

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Chairmanship of the smaller war plants corporation has been idle for three months, ever since the resignation of Robert W. Johnson, who charged SWPC was a political football. Senator James E. Murray, chairman of the small business committee in the senate, has been given authority by his committee to find someone for the job. Morris L. Cooke, industrial engineer who has been an administration handyman for all sorts of odd jobs around Washington, is one of the leading contenders. But war production board brass hats don't like him, though they have put forward no candidate of their own. In the meantime, the smaller war corporation flounders along and small business gets little more aid than what army and navy procurement services normally pass out.

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Russell Behind George?

Georgia Senator Walter F. George's flat statement that he would repeal the war contract renegotiation law if it were within his power may come from direct advice of one of his closest associates, Scott Russell, who is chief investigator for the senate committee on post-war economic policy and planning. In private life, Mr. Russell is president of the Bibb Manufacturing company of Macon, Ga., a textile mill whose business has been under renegotiation by the army. Russell was chairman of the cotton textile industry's committee on renegotiation and he testified before the house ways and means committee against renegotiation of government contracts on the so-called "standard" products which were made in peacetime.

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Office of censorship is already planning for the day when there will be an end of censorship, Director Byron Price has revealed. There are no conclusions yet, but two principal points of view. One is that all censorship can end the minute the shooting ends. The other is that censorship of foreign mails and cables will have to be continued for a time, perhaps till the peace treaty is actually signed. One thing definitely assured is that the trend of censorship will be towards less and less control from here on.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

Text: Mark 1:32-45

By William E. Gilroy, D. D.

The ministry of love, with which Jesus was busy, began with a call to men to repent "and believe in the Gospel" (Mark 1:14). It was a ministry of love in telling them of the love of God, and in offering men hope through spiritual peace and salvation.

To believe in the Gospel is to believe in a God of love, and to appropriate His gift of grace and pardon.

The ministry of love that Jesus began in the busy life following His baptism was a ministry of love to God, in which He gave men the example of supreme devotion. Jesus always taught by example. He asked His disciples only to follow. He said "I am the way."

But the ministry of Jesus was a ministry of love to men, manifest in helpfulness and service. His primary work was not the healing of men's bodies. He was first of all a physician of the soul. But His ministry of healing was quickly begun, and here in Mark's first chapter we have both specific instances of healing.

Apparently most numerous among the cases of healing were those "possessed with devils," or as we would say today, insane. The fact that, without such institutions as Christianity itself has fostered for the care of the insane, the poor victims of mental trouble in the ancient world roamed about, sometimes a menace to themselves and others, or the fact that they were cared for by those of their own family, made them particularly susceptible to the ministry of healing.

Moreover as Jesus was a minister of sanity, teaching right ways of thinking and acting, even if He had exercised only ordinary human power He would have been wonderfully fitted to help the mentally disordered and bring them to sanity and reason. But He brought to them also the power of divine love and comprehension.

Insanity is disease of the mind, and we ought to think of it and treat it as disease. But it does, nevertheless, possess a peculiar terror for us because the mind has to do with all the rest of the body.

The whole matter of spiritual healing, apart from the means of medical or surgical science, involves questions and problems that cannot be gone into here. That remarkable instances of such healing have occurred and do occur only the most prosaic of sceptics now doubts. In a sense once anything has occurred it is no longer miraculous but is in the realm of fact upon which law and science are based. But instances of healing occur that are as yet unexplainable within the limits of our present knowledge.

But why are not such instances more common? Jesus healed many; why did He not heal all? Why are not the records of His life dominated with the portrayal of Him as a healer

There are many questions that we cannot answer; but the one certainty is that the ministry of Jesus was a ministry of love, and such must every ministry be that is in His name. of bodies?

3 FAIR BUILDINGS LEVELED BY FIRE

DONALDSONVILLE, La., Jan. 1—(AP)—Fire completely destroyed three frame buildings at the South Louisiana State fair grounds here early today. More than 600 German prisoners of war, housed on the fair grounds during the sugar cane harvesting season, escaped without injury, camp officials said.

Flames, which firemen said originated in a restaurant building shortly before 3 a.m., leveled the manufacturers' building, being used as a mess hall, and adjoining store room and the restaurant kitchen. Other buildings were damaged, fair officials said. They made no immediate estimate of damages but said they were covered by insurance.

Radio Program

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

Eastern War Time P.M.—Subtract One Hour for CWT., 2 Hrs. for MWT.

(Changes in programs as listed due to corrections by networks made too late to incorporate.)

12:30—The Paul Lavalle Concert—nbc
Trans-Atlantic Call, Exchange—cbs
To Be Announced (30 mins.)—blu
Here's Mexico, 30-min. Variety—mbs
1:00—Voice of the Dairy Farmer—nbc
John B. Kennedy in Comment—blu
The Church of the Air Sermons—cbs
Stanley Dixon in Commentary—mbs
1:15—Labor for Victory Series—nbc
To Be Announced (15 mins.)—blu
Singing Canaries—nine mbs stations
1:30—U. of Chicago Roundtable—nbc
Ed Murrow's News Comments—cbs
Sammy Kaye's Sunday Serenade—blu
The Lutheran Half Hour—mbs-basic
1:45—Curt Massey and Company—cbs
2:00—Those We Love, Dramatic—nbc
Chaplain Jim, U.S.A., Dramas—blu
Ceiling Unlimited, Variety Prog.—cbs
Pilgrim Radio Hour's Services—mbs
2:30—John Chas. Thomas Prog.—nbc
National Vespers, Dr. Fosdick—blu
News of the World; Song Spot—cbs
3:00—Washington and Rationing—nbc
Moylan Sisters in Song—blu-basic
Three Romeos, Vocal Trio—blu-west
N. Y. Philharmonic Symphony—cbs
This Is Fort Dix, Soldiers—mbs
3:15—Upton Close's Commentary—nbc
Talk by Rear Admiral Denfeld—blu
Variety from This Is Fort Dix—mbs
3:30—Official Hour by the Army—nbc
"Hot Copy," Newspaper Drama—blu
Bulldog Drummond Adventures—mbs
4:00—Al Pearce and Gang—blu-basic
Those Good Old Days—other blu
To Be Announced (30 m.)—mbs-east
Lutheran Half Hr. repeat—other mbs
4:30—Emancipation Day; News—nbc
Metropolitan Opera Auditioning—blu
Andre Kostelanetz & Orchestra—cbs
Abe Lincoln's Story, Dramatic—mbs
5:00—NBC Symph., L. Stokowski—nbc
Comment & Question Half-Hour—blu
Family Time, Gladys Swarthout—cbs
The Fireside Party and Variety—mbs
5:30—Musical Steelmakers Prog.—blu
The Shadow, Mystery Drama—mbs
5:45—Irene Rich in "Dear John"—cbs
6:00—Catholic Services via Radio—nbc
The Radio Hall of Fame Hour—blu
CBS Sunday Theater, Dramas—cbs
First Nighter's Drama Series—mbs
6:30—Great Gildersleeve, Comedy—nbc
America in the Air, Dramatic—cbs
Upton Close Second Comment—mbs
6:45—The Little Show Dramas—mbs
7:00—Jack Benny-Mary Comedy—nbc
Drew Pearson in War Comment—blu
Wm. L. Shirer and Commentary—cbs
Old Fashioned Revival Service—mbs
7:15—To Be Announced (15 m.)—cbs
To Be Announced (15 mins.)—blu
7:30—The Bandwagon Orchestra—nbc
Quiz Kids and Joe Kelly M. C.—blu
We the People & Guests—cbs-basic
8:00—Charlie McCarthy & Bergen—nbc
News Broadcasting Time, Daily—blu
The Jerry Lester Variety Show—cbs
Alexander and Mediation Board—mbs
8:15—Air Line Trio and Songs—blu
8:30—One Man's Family, Drama—nbc
Keepsakes Music Memory Show—blu
Crime Doctor, Dramatic Series—cbs
8:45—Gabriel Heatter Comment—mbs
8:55—Five Minutes News Period—cbs
9:00—Sunday's Merry Go Round—nbc
Walter Winchell Weekly Report—blu
Conrad Nagel Magazine Drama—cbs
Cleveland Symphony Orchestra—mbs
9:15—Basin Street and Its Music—blu
9:30—Album of Familiar Music—nbc
The Fred Allen Show, Variety—cbs
9:45—Jimmy Fidler & Hollywood—blu
10:00—Phil Spitalny & Girl Orch.—nbc
Gertrude Lawrence in a Revue—blu
Phil Baker Take It or Leave It—cbs
Cedric Foster's War Comment—mbs
10:15—Good Will Prog., 45 min.—mbs
10:30—Bob Crosby and Company—nbc
Adventures of Thin Man Drama—cbs
Freddie Martin and Orchestra—blu
11:00—Late Variety with News—nbc
News, Variety, Dance 2 h.—cbs-blu
Dance Orchestra Variety (3 h.)—mbs

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SUNDAY

6:00—News	Local
6:05—Sunday Morning Serenade	Local
6:30—News	Local
6:35—Sunday Morning Serenade	Local
7:00—News	CBS
7:05—Organ Fantasies	CBS
7:30—Maurice Brown's Orchestra	CBS
7:45—Burl Ives	CBS
8:00—News of the World	CBS
8:15—E. Power Biggs	CBS
8:45—New Voices in Song	CBS
9:00—The Voice of Prophecy	Local
9:30—The Religious News	Local
9:45—Variety	Local
10:00—Warren Sweeney, News	CBS
10:05—The Blue Jacket Choir	CBS
10:30—Gospel Tabernacle	Local
11:00—Morning Services	Local
12:00—Church of the Air	CBS
12:30—Edward R. Murrow	CBS
12:45—Starring Kurt Massey	CBS
1:00—Ceiling Unlimited	CBS
1:30—World News Today	CBS
1:55—Songs of America	CBS
2:00—N. Y. Philharmonic Symphony	CBS
3:30—The Pause that Refreshes	CBS
4:00—The Family Hour	CBS
4:45—Irene Rich	CBS
5:00—Silver Theater	CBS
5:30—America in the Air	CBS
6:00—William L. Shirer	CBS
6:15—Songs by Sinatra	CBS
6:30—We, The People	CBS
7:00—Evening Worship Service	Local
7:30—Crime Doctor	CBS
7:55—Ned Calmer, News	CBS
8:00—Radio Reader's Digest	CBS
8:30—Fred Allen Star Theater	CBS
9:00—Take It or Leave It	CBS
9:30—Adventures of the Thin Man	CBS
10:00—News of the World	CBS
10:15—Old Fashioned Revival Hour	Local
11:15—Les Brown's Orchestra	CBS
11:30—Tommy Dorsey's Orchestra	CBS
12:00—News	CBS
12:05—Midnight Frolic	Local
1:00—News	Local
1:05—Sine	

New York Day By Day

By CHARLES B. DRISCOLL
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NEW YORK—Diary: About that pleasant business of looking over the Christmas cards and remembrances, and note several suggestions about what to do with greeting cards after you've finished with them. . . . Mrs. Fred Hadley, of Sioux City, cuts out the pretty flowers and other decorations, very neatly and carefully, and pastes them on ordinary penny postcards. She sends hundreds of such gay cards, with personal message added, every year to shut-ins, invalids, and sick people. It's a lot of fun for her, and it brightens many a dull morning for those who need a little sunshine . . . and there'll be more of them in this country than ever before, you know . . . and, speaking of invalids, I mustn't forget to send season's greetings, even after the holidays are over, to Gerber Schafer, my sick friend in St. Joseph's hospital, Reading, Pa. . . . He remembered me, as he did hundreds of others, at Christmas . . . but the greatest salesman of salesmanship I've ever known is D. W. McGreevy, of Wichita, who sent me a card—about salesmanship, of course. He's always writing to tell me that this column might be some good to somebody if only, I'd put items about salesmen and salesmanship in it more often. He says, and truly, that there'll be a lot of important selling to be done after peace comes.

The most complete and elaborate desk calendar that came to me was from Mr. C. E. Dennis, the water cress man. It was so beautiful and systematic that I gave it to Daughter Mary, who is far more methodical in her daily life than I . . . and at a luncheon recently I ate some water cress cream soup, made under personal direction of Dennis, out of his cress. I don't know how they make it, but more tasty soup never came out of a kettle, according to the taste of this old souper.

The Terhunes, Bert and Anice, always sent an interesting Christmas greeting. Anice composed a new Christmas carol each year, wrote down words and music, and it went, properly decorated and engraved, to their friends. I have a large collection of these carols. This year there came a plain white card, edged in black, with a couple of bars of "Auld lang syne."

Most unusual was the greeting sent us by Rennie and Pam McEvoy, from Hollywood. It was a broadside which I sent them three years ago, bearing my "Song of New York," folded to look like an envelope, neatly sealed, and inscribed with the words, "Same to you."

Two cards carrying interior home photographs are among the big successes of the season. One pictures Johnny Jones (the paper and dog man of Easton) sitting on the lowest step of the stairway in his beautiful home, with Mrs. Jones and daughter, Hannah, standing on the stairway, and sue, the noble house dog, lying contentedly on the floor beside a handsome grandfather's clock.

The other shows Mr. and Mrs. Hank Givens, of Wichita, proudly watching their little daughter, more beautiful than any wax figure come to life, playing happily on her minitature baby grand piano. There is an artificial dog looking on, for the Givens family hasn't got over the drowning of their scottie, Doctor, under the ice, last winter, in a pathetic accident.

Doctor Rockwell, the funny man, sent a personalized card about peace on earth, and suggesting that if meat bothers my arteries I should come up to Maine and get away from it all with him.

There are many patriotic cards, but one of the most striking, in its use of the flag and Mt. Vernon, came from Arthur Cockhill, of Erie, Pa.

Sam Byrd, the actor, from South Carolina and Florida, sends a greeting from Washington, where he is now a navy lieutenant.

Morgan Dennis, the dog drtist, contributes a smart picture of his favorite scottie, Himself.

The most attractive commercial card comes from Pan American Airways, suggesting the globe-encircling interest and activity of that great concern.

While there are many reproductions of famous paintings in the box, the best modern landscape is a John O'Hara Cosgrave snow scene, sent with greetings of The Hartford Times.

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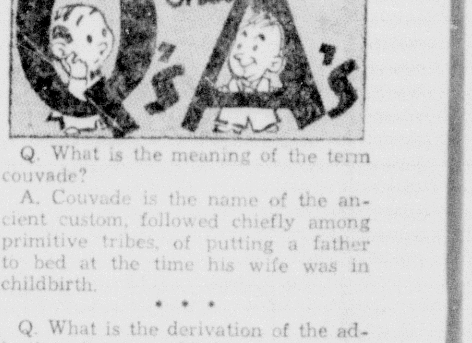

Q. What is the meaning of the term couvade?

A. Couvade is the name of the ancient custom, followed chiefly among primitive tribes, of putting a father to bed at the time his wife was in childbirth.

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Q. What is the derivation of the adjective, "gruesome"?

A. It comes from the obsolete verb "grue," meaning to shudder.

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Q. What state is nicknamed the Palmetto state?

A. South Carolina.

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Q. To what are the following terms applied: tinctures, furs, ordinaries, and dancettes?

A. They are terms of heraldry, used in description of the designs of a coat-of-arms.

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Q. What is the more common name of the formation of stars known as Charles's Wain?

A. The Big, or Great Dipper, familiar sight in the constellation Ursa Major.

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Throwing away one tablespoonful of fat is spilling down the drain five machine gun bullets and enough glycerine to yield smallpox vaccines for 73 men.

BIBLE THOUGHTS

Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains: for the Lord hath comforted His people, and will have mercy upon His afflicted.—Isaiah 49:13.

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Affliction is the good man's shining
scene;
Prosperity conceals his brightest ray;
As night to stars, woe luster gives to
man.—Young.

ARGENTINA LOOKS FOR FOOD SALES

Pushes Farm Production For Day When Markets Are Reopened

BUENOS AIRES, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Confident that no country with food to sell will be ignored in the post-war period, Argentina is pushing agricultural and meat production in preparation for the day when Europe's markets are reopened.

Although Argentina still maintains diplomatic relations with the Axis and hence was not invited either to the United Nations food conference at Hot Springs, or the United Nations relief and rehabilitation meeting at Atlantic City, Argentina expects to play a major role in supplying Europe with foodstuffs on a large scale once hostilities cease. Foreign Minister Alberto Gilbert gave official expression to this opinion in an interview at Santiago, Chile, in which he said:

"There has been talk of putting Argentina aside when the war is over. But I believe that our economic position will determine otherwise. After all, we have been called the 'granary of democracy' and no one should forget that our principal products are foodstuffs. This being so, we cannot be ignored."

Preliminary estimates on the 1943-44 crops disclose heavy prospective increases in all grains. Wheat production is expected to be 32.8 per cent above last year, flax 18 per cent, barley 151 per cent, oats 262 per cent and rye a whopping 827 per cent.

A long term agreement with Britain has stimulated production of cattle and dairy products. Substantial increases in the basic, or guaranteed, prices for wheat, linseed, peanuts, and sunflower seed are expected to boost production of those crops.

The suggestion of one delegate to the UNRRA meeting at Atlantic City that Argentina may desire to contribute foodstuffs to stricken Europe evoked no official response but was welcomed by some persons in civilian life. One of them was Alberto Hueyo, former finance minister, who said that Argentina has a mission to perform in supplying food to the starved peoples of Europe. Thus, said Hueyo, "we will have demonstrated that we Argentines are not enemies of humanity * * * and that if we were fated to remain neutral in a struggle which has devastated Europe and stained its fields with blood we will never remain neutral in the face of misery and pain which afflicts the human race."

Everybody's cash is good in Buenos Aires except Uncle Sam's.

Argentina is probably the only country in the world where one can buy as much food, liquor and clothing as he likes, and pay for it in local currency bought with British pounds, Japanese yen, Swedish Kronen, German reichmarks or Guatemalan quetzala—anything except United States dollars. Movement of American currency abroad was prohibited by the United States government as a means of hampering Nazi agents who seized millions of dollars in banknotes in occupied countries.

Because foreign cash in Buenos Aires is handled by money changers, many of whom sell currency as a sideline to lottery tickets, shoe shining establishments and travel bureaus, it is difficult to estimate the volume of money traffic. Axis currency, however, is quoted on the blackboards of these establishments, as well as in the daily papers.

American banknotes, representing the fortunes of refugees, are circulating on the black market. Large amounts are said to be held by speculators waiting for the end of the war and the lifting of the current United States restrictions on the circulation of American currency abroad. German agents are believed to have disposed of large quantities, converting the dollars into industrial diamonds and other high-value strategic war materials.

Hollywood's version of the life of Martin Fierro, Argentina's legendary gaucho, is awaited with mixed feelings by Argentine movie fans.

One large provincial newspaper mused editorially whether Argentina would recognize Martin Fierro when he arrives from Hollywood. Apparently dubious, the editorial writer added:

"Already we have seen him dubbed as the 'Argentine Robin Hood' although we fail to see the connection between the knightly defender of the victims of feudal tyranny and our philosophical gaucho."

Celebrated in story and song, Martin Fierro represents the now extinct nomads of the Pampa, hard-riding, hard-fighting men who fiercely resented the encroachment of civilization.

While hoping that Hollywood does justice to their hero, Argentine movie fans are inclined to be skeptical. After such offerings as "Argentine Nights" and "Down Argentine Way." The latter was greeted with derisive laughter, catcalls and whistling—which in Latin-America is equivalent to the Bronx cheer. The theater which exhibited "Argentine Nights" was stoned by a crowd reportedly organized by nationalist hoodlums.

The picture "You Were Never Lovelier," adapted from a story written by an Argentine writer, was an outstanding success, however, and by and large North American films are preferred by a heavy majority of fans.

A "Garden community" designed to promote larger families and the raising of children "in accordance with sound social principles" has been blueprinted as the first project in Argentina's low-cost housing program. Planned by the advisory commission on low-cost housing, the project is intended to set the pattern for urban living for families in the lower-income group. The government has appropriated 50,000,000 pesos (about $12,500,000) for housing projects throughout the country.

Each unit would have three bedrooms, a living room, kitchen and bath, and space for vegetable and flower gardens and a poultry yard, all planned so that additional rooms may be added easily.

Constructed entirely of native material, the dwellings would enclose a park area containing public buildings, schools, a church, athletic field, children's playground and an open air theater.

The report gave no figures on proposed rentals or purchase prices. Construction awaites formal approval by the president and his cabinet.

VON PAPEN SAYS HE'LL BE BOSS

German Ambassador To Turkey Hints At Hitler's Downfall

(By Associated Press)

Franz von Papen, German ambassador to Ankara, not only has been telling Turkish friends about the possibility of Hitler's downfall; he regards himself as the fuehrer's successor and has even circulated what he calls his "peace plan," Frank Gervasi writes in Colliers.

The Nazi ambassador is pictured as "the old and blunted tool of German Balkan policy," his plan, Gervasi says, is really "a blueprint for a negotiated peace such as the junker militarists of Germany would like to obtain."

In those more indiscreet moments * * * when Von Papen speaks of himself as the new head of the Reich, he promises to restore all conquered lands to their rightful owners. He makes two important exceptions—Czechoslovakia's Sudetenland and Austria.

"'After all,' says he, 'they are German lands, nein?'

"It (the 'peace plan') is complete, down to the creation of an international police and an international corporation for the reconstruction of Europe, with each nation contributing according to its financial means to rebuild the bombed cities—a scheme which would work to the enormous advantage of Germany."

Showdown

It will not help Japan to defend her southwest Pacific spoils if "hell is breaking loose" on the Asiatic mainland, where two-thirds of her army is tied down by China and Russia. And Japan's situation on the continent is "desperate."

Thus is Japanese aggression viewed in the January Red Book by Max Werner.

"The great program of Japanese imperialism is world dominion through the conquest of Asia," Werner explains. "Yet once the Japanese army is driven from the Asiatic continent and thrown into the ocean, Japanese rule in the southwest Pacific will have ended."

China is fighting better than Japan and will win, as German experts predicted years ago, according to Werner. It was the same school of German military thought that warned against Hitler's strategy in Russia and it is turning out "to be right in both cases."

Between Two Worlds

A soldier, back from the hardship and misery of war, writes in the January Atlantic Monthly of being "lost between two worlds"—how he "involuntarily winces" when he hears civilian strategists and shudders at the "blatant optimism, racial prejudices, criticism and mercantile, profit-seeking suspicion."

He is Edgar L. Jones, who served for over a year as an ambulance driver with the British Eighth army and was cited for "outstanding bravery" before being invalided home.

Jones says the 'over-intensified, glamorous version of war" he hears at home is far removed from the fighting. Anyone who believes that war is glamorous, he suggests, should go into his back yard on a rainy night and dig a hole in the ground for his bed.

The soldier expresses repugnance when he hears "jubilant sounds emanating from America."

Jones goes on to say "there was no room in battle for bickering over who owes whom what," while here he finds people asking "what we are going to get out of lend-lease" and industrialists looking to worldwide markets and giving the impression that the shores of this country are lined with "twentieth-century carpetbaggers ready to Americanize the world for their own profit as soon as the last shot is fired."

"Vengeance Is Mine"

Almost a fourth of the population of Belgium is actively engaged in the underground; the rest are passively doing what they can, according to the chief of the Belgian underground in America whose story is told by Don Eddy in the February American magazine.

The underground works along military lines and if one command post is cut off another takes over, the Belgian chief explains. If one man does there is another to take his place—"the flame never flickers; resistance never ceases."

"Of the armed forces, I can assure you it is one of the best small armies in the world. By day, its members are farmers, tradesmen, teamsters. By night, they are mobile, well-equipped troops trained to strike with deadly speed and skill . . . nowhere in the world is there more implacable hatred for the Germans, more determined opposition to them, more intelligent organization to combat them.

"When the hour strikes, you may be confident that courageous Belgians will be waiting to lead your troops to the German strongholds, for every one is known and charted."

Peace Terms

The American people overwhelmingly favor strict, though not destructive, peace terms on the German people, a survey in the January Fortune reports.

The poll shows that 73.2 per cent of the public favors the governing of Germany by an occupation force for several years, while 77.2 per cent would vote for permanent demobilization of the German army. However, the majority of Americans would be unwilling to see Germany crushed as an industrial nation. Almost needless to say, 87.9 per cent would abolish the Nazi party. The survey goes on to say:

"Americans are outraged not just with the Nazis but with the German peole, and they are talking tough. But they are willing to give their statesmen a certain degree of latitude in selecting a policy that will keep Germany from being a menace again.

"It is certain that the Americans want to be firm with the German people on whom they now squarely lay the blame. But they do not want to destroy them."

Electoral College

President Roosevelt could be re-elected even if 60,000,000 voters and 36 states rejected him, John Newton Baker, in the February Cosmopolitan, explains how this could happen by virtue of the electoral college—"a system inaugurated by aristocrats" which "defeats democracy."

Eleven big labor states—California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Massachusetts, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, together with Texas, Baker points out, could put the president back in the White House with a total popular vote of less than 24,000,000.

"Such a thing never has happened, you say. True, but neither had Virginia ever gone Republican until the days of Herbert Hoover,' Baker observes.

First among the reasons Baker lists as to why the electoral college should be abolished is that "it will prevent the will of the people from being sidestepped.' Baker notes that three presidents "entered the White House by way of the electoral college back door even though the popular vote defeated them.' They were John Quincy Adams, Hayes and Harrison.

HARRISON PLEDGES NO 'SPITEFULNESS'

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Gladden Harrison, candidate for lieutenant governor, speaking on behalf of himself and Ernest Clements, candidate for governor, at St. Francisville, Clinton and Greensburg, today was quoted by his headquarters here as pledging "an administration that will not be based on spitefulness."

Clements, ill at his home at Oberlin with influenza, plans to return to the stump with a radio speech Monday at 9 p.m.

Harrison said their administration, if they are elected, would be based on "sound, sane, constructive governmental policies which will redound to the benefit of the great majority of our people."

"I pledge to cooperate with the school officials of this state," Harrison said further, "looking to the enactment of necessary legislation which will have for its purpose the dedication of school revenues for school purposes exclusively.

"We shall have 12 months' pay for our school teachers with minimum salaries of $1,200 per year. We shall have 12 months' pay for our school bus drivers with appropriated salaries."

Harrison promised aid for the returning war veterans on behalf of himself and Senator Clements.

WAC MARRIES

F[illegible] DEVENS, Mass., Jan. 1.—(AP)—A [illegible] that began eight months ago at the new station hospital culminated today in the wedding of WAC Private Delores E. Welles of Hattiesburg, Miss., and Technician Richard C. Mistretta of New York. The couple, who met while working in the same office at the hospital, were married by Chaplain Joseph W. Bean of the hospital unit to which Mistretta is attached.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. John W. Gilbert, Jr., of Bastrop, La., a daughter, Mary Belle, born December 25 at the Wright-Bendel clinic.

To Lieutenant and Mrs. J. O. Herrman, 1305-A South Third street, a son named John Oliver, Jr., born at the Wright-Bendel clinic December 27.

To Mr. and Mrs. Thomas I. McGowen, route 3, Monroe, a daughter, Evelyn, born December 26 at the Wright-Bendel clinic.

To Lieutenant and Mrs. J. V. Burns, 610 South Grand street, a daughter born December 31 at the St. Francis sanitarium.

To Captain and Mrs. W. G. Miller, 310 Forsythe street, Monroe, a son born at the St. Francis sanitarium January 1.

To Lieutenant and Mrs. M. E. Marler, 1701 North Fourth street, Monroe, a son born December 31 at the St. Francis sanitarium.

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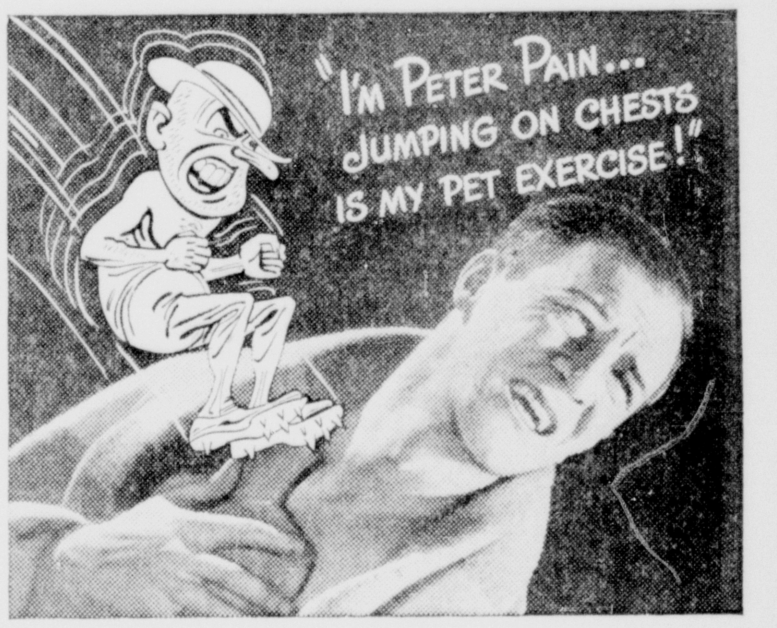
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STIFFER STRIKE LAWS PROPOSED

Some Solons Say It Is Up To President To Take Leadership

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Stiffened laws to make wartime strikes a crime were talked at the capitol today in swift aftermath to an assertion from a figure high in councils of the United States and the United Nations that recent labor disputes may have delayed victory over Germany.

Some legislators suggested, however, that it is up to President Roosevelt to take the leadership if the administration thinks new statutes are needed, and others were critical of White House handling of labor disputes.

Union men were indignant in private conversations but for the time being were standing on the public retorts already made by rail and steel labor leaders.

The high figure singled out particularly the rail and steel strike threats, saying the Nazis had seized upon them to broadcast throughout Europe that the United States is in a condition of chaos. He said the result had been to strengthen spirits of Axis satellites and probably delay revolts in subjugated countries.

It all added up, he said, to a "great tragedy" and would cost American lives.

Three railroad men—D. B. Robertson of the firemen, H. W. Fraser of the conductors, and T. C. Cashen of the switchmen—replied that the unions were not to blame.

"Had the administration permitted this case to have taken its orderly course," they said in a statement, "* * * in all probability a satisfactory settlement could have been worked out. * * * If this situation has had any effect upon the war or offers any psychological comfort to Hitler the labor unions are not responsible."

An official of the United Steel Workers, declining use of his name, called the whole thing "a filthy propaganda story designed to arouse the American people against labor unions despite their amazing production records."

Representative Smith, Democrat, Virginia, co-author of the Connally-Smith anti-strike law, and Representative Manasco, Democrat, Alabama, were among those who said the president should initiate any new labor legislation.

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PHONE EMPLOYES WILL GET RAISES

ATLANTA, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Approximately 36,000 Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph company employes in nine southern states will receive salary increases averaging $2 a week under a fourth regional war labor board approval announced today.

The increases, requested voluntarily by the company, will go to telephone employes in 948 communities in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Tennessee, North and South Carolina, Kentucky and Louisiana. In most cases the pay raises were made retroactive to December 1, 1943.

Chairman M. T. Van Hecke said the increases were given to the following to bring Southern Bell's salaries into line with rates for the telephone industry:

4,508 plant employes, including electrical and mechanical workers; 3,698 accounting and commercial employes; and 18,722 operators, traffic instructors, service observers, clerks, cooks, maids and lunchroom attendants.

Night differentials affecting 8,596 operators were increased from 50 cents a week to $2 a week.

Van Hecke said increases were not authorized for employes receiving above the minimum rates approved in the application, but that salaries now above the maxima would not be reduced.

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ASSASSINATION DENIED

LONDON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—The Swiss radio reported today that a General Marion, a Frenchman recently appointed departmental prefect for upper Savoy, had been assassinated, but the Vichy radio promptly denied the report. The Swiss report said Marion was shot in a street in Annecy and that two German officers with him were wounded.

KNUTSON SEES LONG TAX LOAD

Thinks Post-War Collections May Amount To $28,000,000,000

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—A post-war tax load of $23,000,000,000 to $28,000,000,000 annually was foreseen today by Representative Knutson, Republican, Minnesota. Current federal income is over $40,000,000,000 a year.

Knutson estimated fixed charges of government in the post-war period may easily reach $17,000,000,000 a year as follows:

Interest on $300,000,000,000 national debt (at 2 per cent)—$6,000,000,000.

Civil expenditures—$4,000,000,000.

Army and navy costs (rough estimate)—$4,000,000,000.

Veterans relief (World War I and II)—$3,000,000,000.

"On top of this," he said in a statement, "it may be necessary to appropriate several billions for unemployment and agricultural relief, rehabilitation loans (domestic and foreign), and other relief measures. Thus the immediate post-war cost of government may be around $25,000,000,000, perhaps tapering off to around $20,000,000,000 as normal conditions are restored."

Knutson, who is close in line to become chairman of the tax-framing house ways and means committee should the Republicans gain control of the house, said that $2,000,000,000 to $3,000,000,000 more probably would be added to amortize the federal debt.

To meet the post-war conditions, he outlined his own ideas on public finance as follows:

1. To sustain a heavy tax burden, a national income of at least $100,000,000,000 will be necessary. The rate of income under war conditions is about $150,000,000,000, twice the income of pre-war years.

2. "Nothing will contribute more toward assuring maximum production and a high level of national income after the war than a careful downward readjustment of taxes.

3. Above all, reasonable encouragement should be given to risk capital, "which can provide the means of developing the many potential new industries to which war has given birth. These new industries can easily take up the full employment slack which will result from the conversion from wartime to peacetime economy.

4. An end to deficit financing as soon as possible after the war. "The whole future of our country necessarily rests upon sound national finances as a foundation."

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WILL RELEASE BEANS

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—The war food administration plans soon to release about 440,000 cases, or about 20,000,000 pounds, of canned pork and beans for sale in civilian channels. This stock is to come from supplies previously set aside for war requirements.

FIVE E. M. GO TO TEXAS FOR AIR CREW TRAINING

Selman field sent five enlisted men to Sheppard field, Tex., this week for pre-aviation cadet basic training.

Headed by S/Sgt. Dwight H. Carey, former physical training instructor, of the 557th Navigation Training squadron, the list includes: Sgt. Robert J. Blanchard, Sgt. Charles E. Brenneman, Jr., Pvt. Howard F. Miller of the 329th Base Headquarters and Air Base squadron, and Cpl. Warren G. Ramsey of the 3rd Airways Communication squadron.

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WANTS G. O. P. TO GET RADIO TIME

White Favors Giving Opponents Of Roosevelt Equal Time

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Congress may be asked to rewrite the communications act to require that opponents of President Roosevelt be given equal time on the radio to answer any political statements he may broadcast.

Senator White, Republican, Maine, said today he favors broadening a section of the act requiring equal time for opponents of qualified political candidates to apply the same rule to other public figures who broadcast on controversial political questions.

While White did not mention President Roosevelt in this connection Senator Wheeler, Democrat, Montana, said the contemplated revision would apply to political statements by President Roosevelt, adding that he believed it should. White and Wheeler are in the process of rewriting a comprehensive radio regulation bill on which extensive hearings were held by an interstate commerce subcommittee.

Conceding that there will be difficulty in fixing definitions, White told a reporter he was not satisfied with the law as it stands, since many persons who are qualified political candidates broadcast on highly controversial subjects.

White said that while it might be difficult to draw a line, he felt the general objective of getting both sides of controversial questions before the public could be attained.

"I want to expand the section so that there won't be just the voice of the government heard over the radio," said the Maine senator, who is acting Republican leader.

Although he is not yet down to final details, White said he was confident the final draft of the bill would contain sections denying to the federal communications commission the right of censorship over radio broadcasts, specifically stating that the FCC shall not dictate the contents of program and denying it control over the business interests of stations.

WILL CONTINUE DAIRY SUBSIDY

Boost In Minimum Rates To Help Compensate For Corn Hike

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—(AP)—The war food administration announced today the continuation of its dairy subsidy program through January with a boost in minimum rates to help compensate for a recent nine-cent-a-bushel increase in the ceiling price of corn.

Inaugurated last October for a three-month period, the subsidy is offered dairymen on fluid milk or butterfat, whichever they sell. It is designed to give them a return which would offset increases in milk production costs since September, 1942, without the boosting consumer prices of milk.

The WFA said the January rates for the entire country would average 40 cents per hundred pounds for fluid milk and 5.1 cents a pound for butterfat.

A similar subsidy on cheese which expired today is expected to be continued, officials said. An announcement may be made early next week.

The January adjustments in the dairy subsidy rates provide a 5-cent increase for fluid milk in areas where the rate has been at the minimum level of 30 cents, and an increase in several western states from 35 and 40 cents to 50 cents and an increase from 4 to 5 cents in the minimum rates on butterfat.

The rates by areas are follows:

Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Montana, Wyoming, Idaho, Washington east of the Cascades, Oregon east of the Cascades, Michigan, Ohio, Tennessee except seven southwestern counties, Missouri except five southwestern counties—35 cents per hundred pounds for milk and 5 cents a pound for butterfat.

Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York except the New York Metropolitan Pool, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama and nineteen southeastern counties in Mississippi— 40 cents for milk and 5 cents for butterfat.

The New York Metropolitan Pool 25 cents for milk.

All other counties—50 cents for milk and 6 cents for butterfat.

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SECOND CALL FOR RED CROSS DRIVERS

A second appeal to officers', cadets' and enlisted men's wives to join the Red Cross Motor corps was made this week by Mrs. C. D. Wright, wife of the commanding officer of the advanced navigation school, who said that 100 drivers are needed urgently to drive staff cars at Selman field.

"The work," Mrs. Wright said, "is strictly volunteer, and drivers are urgently needed for this important part of the war. Any woman who wants to help out may do so by registering at the Red Cross headquarters (200 S. Grand in Monroe), or by calling in their registrations at the headquarters (telephone 6780)."

Women who volunteer will be asked to work a full day each day they have available. Any number of days they can work will help, Mrs. Wright stated. Hours are from 7:45 to 4:30. The drivers are now working six days a week, but Selman field officials have asked that they work seven if at all possible, hence the accelerated drive for membership.

Mrs. C. C. North, chairman of the organization, said this week that training requirements are being waived for the present, but that first aid and mechanical courses are set for sometime in the near future. Uniforms, she stated, may or not be worn, depending on the desires of the individual volunteers.

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P. F. WIVES ELECT OFFICERS FOR CLUB

New Organization Picks Mrs. Robert Shinkman First President

Pre-Flight cadet wives, in an initial meeting for organization of a club, have elected the following officers: President, Roberta Shinkman; secretary, Eleanor Somach; assistant secretary, Peggy Gray. To permit continuity in office and to assure the carrying out of established policies, a novel arrangement for future officers has been established in that only the assistant secretary will be elected hereafter and she will be chosen from the newest class at pre-flight. Each officer will follow each other in office; thus, when the president leaves with the graduating class, her successor will be the secretary, and secretary's job will be filled by the assistant, etc.

Committees were appointed to establish functions which this social group might perform and from their recommendations many interesting events may be expected to transpire. A noteworthy movement by the club is now underway in that a register is to be maintained indicating available rooms, apartments and houses and will assist incoming cadets' wives in locating facilities.

A greeting committee has been formed to meet incoming wives of cadets who will in many cases be able to carry these ladies to their rooms or apartments which are listed by the secretary.

Cadets expecting their wives' arrival and who would like assistance in finding housing facilities are requested to call Peggy Gray at phone 6300 between 8 a. m. and [illegible] p. m. and 1121 after these hours. Anyone having facilities or knowledge of such and desire to place them on the register are invited to call the same party.

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TWINS ARE BORN IN DIFFERENT YEARS

BALTIMORE, Jan. 1.—(AP)—They weren't even born the same year, yet they are twins.

Kathleen Rowan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rowan, made her debut with just three minutes of old 1943 left to run, and twin-sister Mary Rowan followed suit when 1944 was just three minutes old.

Attendants at St. Joseph's hospital said it was the first case of the kind in their experience.

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Even though they had fewer planes in action than previously, the Germans lost an average of 1,000 planes per month during the first three months of 1942.

CHAPLAIN FINKE LEAVES SELMAN

Officiates At Christmas Services As Final Duty At This Post

Departure from Selman field of Capt. John P. Finke, catholic chaplain, was revealed this week by the office of the chaplain.

Captain Finke, after officiating at the holy Christmas day services at the south chapel, left for an undisclosed destination, leaving behind an enviable record which started at Selman Oct. 4, 1942.

Commissioned as a chaplain August 10, 1942, Chaplain Finke attended chaplain's school from where he came to this post. The chaplain is a resident of Baltimore, Md.

After arriving at this station he became post chaplain, replacing Capt. Philip Oxnam, Protestant chaplain, who moved off to foreign duty. Capt. Oxnam recently was awarded the purple heart for action in Italy. Captain Finke carried out the program established by his predecessor, building up a large following among Catholic soldiers here.

Chaplain Finke possessed a well rounded background which contributed much to his work at Selman. A graduate of the University of Dayton, Dayton, Ohio, he received his masters in French at the University of Cincinnati. In 1937 he was graduated from the University of Freiburg, Switzerland, with a theological degree. He then took a special course in French at the French institute there. The institute is part of the Sorbonne university of Paris.

From Switzerland his travels took him to Austria, Italy, Africa, and finally to this country again in 1937. He became a high school teacher, and later instructor at the University of Dayton. At the time of his enlistment he had returned to high school teaching at Cathedral Latin High school in Cleveland, Ohio.

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PRISON PRODUCE FOR WAR

Between August, 1942, and November, 1943, state prisons produced war-important industrial goods worth $9,880,268, including items never before considered possible for prison production—assault boats, shell cases, bomb crates, submarine and cargo nets, etc.

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Loans secured by shares of this association		13,851.87
Real estate sold on contract		7,477.01
Real estate owned		451,296.12
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank	$ 26,500.00	
U. S. Government obligations (including H. O. L. C. and War Savings Bonds)	300,000.00	326,500.00
Cash on hand and in banks		61,642.63
Office Building		1,000.00
Furniture, fixtures and equipment		100.00
Deferred charges		2,785.33
Other Assets		432.50
TOTAL ASSETS		$4,191,303.83

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES

Optional payment shares	$ 12,605.06	
Full paid shares	2,352,550.00	$2,365,155.06
Mortgage loan shares, monthly reduction (Shares pledged in connection with direct reduction loans)		4,797.00
Advances from Federal Home Loan Bank		140,000.00
Dividends declared, unpaid and uncredited		47,359.49
Loans in process		9,948.53
Advance payments by borrowers for taxes and insurance		1,318.60
Other Liabilities		110.50
Unearned profits on real estate sold on contract		1,920.00
Contingent loss account	$1,520,694.65	
Federal insurance reserve	100,000.00	1,620,694.65
TOTAL LIABILITIES		$4,191,303.83

STATE OF LOUISIANA)
) ss:
PARISH OF OUACHITA)

I, Secretary of the above named Association, do solemnly swear that all of the statements of the condition of this Association contained in this exhibit are true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

By A. O. DAVIS, Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of December, 1943.
O. A. EASTERLING, Notary Public

STATE OF LOUISIANA)
) ss:
PARISH OF OUACHITA)

We, the auditors of the above named Association, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief with the explanations contained in our report on our audit of the accounts of the Association.

WALTER S. SAVAGE & COMPANY
By WALTER S. SAVAGE, C. P. A.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 31st day of December, 1943.
O. A. EASTERLING, Notary Public

Asthma Mucus Loosened First Day
For Thousands of Sufferers
Choking, gasping, wheezing, recurring attacks of Bronchial Asthma ruin your sleep and rob your blood of vitally important oxygen because you can't get air in and out of your lungs properly. But now it is no longer necessary to suffer from these terrible attacks without the benefit you may receive from a physician's prescription called Mendaco. Within a very short time after the first dose, Mendaco ingredients start circulating thru the blood, thus reaching the smallest as well as the largest Bronchial tubes where they usually quickly help liquefy, loosen and remove thick strangling mucus (phlegm), thereby promoting freer breathing and more restful sleep. In fact, Mendaco has proved so successful in helping thousands of sufferers from recurring spasms of Bronchial Asthma that it is sold under a guarantee of money back unless completely satisfactory. So get Mendaco from your druggist today for only 60c.
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STRAND THEATER
SUNDAY AND MONDAY

LOVE AND LAUGHS ON THE LOOSE!
Frank Ross presents
JEAN ARTHUR ★ JOHN WAYNE
'A Lady Takes a Chance'
with CHAS. WINNINGER PHIL SILVERS
Produced by Frank Ross • Directed by William A. Seiter • Screen Play by Robert Ardley
Original story by Jo Swerling

RIALTO THEATER
SUNDAY AND MONDAY
George SANDERS • Philip DORN • Brenda MARSHALL
PARIS after DARK

Opens 11:45 JOY Double Feature
Phone 1610 Admission 9c-15c
'WAY DOWN YONDER IN NEW ORLEANS!

★ When the nation learned to swing and sway . . . the good old All-American way!
Bing CROSBY
Mary MARTIN
Brian DONLEVY
in
BIRTH OF THE BLUES
with CAROLYN LEE and ROCHESTER

PLUS
2ND FEATURE

BILL ELLIOTT
in
The Man from Thunder River
Republic PICTURE

Opens 11:45 Phone 1567
9c - 44c
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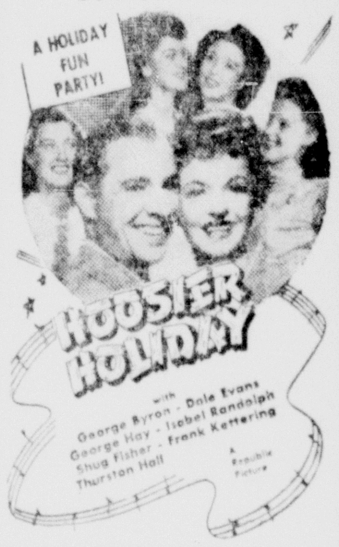
TODAY ONLY!


A HOLIDAY FUN PARTY!
HOOSIER HOLIDAY
with
George Byron - Dale Evans
George Hay - Isabel Randolph
Shug Fisher - Frank Kettering
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Added Attractions
● "Letter to a Hero" This is America Short
● "Jolly Good Furlough" Popeye Cartoon
● Latest News From World Battle Fronts
OPENS MONDAY

IT surpasses all her other triumphs!
Bette DAVIS
Old Acquaintance
with
Miriam HOPKINS
Gig YOUNG
John LODER

Open 11:45 CAPITOL Phone 1704
Admission 9c-30c Any Time
STARTS TODAY

Said the Princess to the Pilot: "Will you marry me for $150,000 a year pocket money?"
Olivia de HAVILLAND
Robert CUMMINGS
PRINCESS O'ROURKE

with Charles COBURN . Jack CARSON . Jane WYMAN
ADDED
● News: "President Outlines Plans for Victory"
● Popeye Cartoon
TUESDAY ONLY
"Is Everybody Happy"
with
TED LEWIS and NAN WYNN

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Opens 11:45—Adm. 9c and 22c All Times
TODAY ONLY

HUMPHREY BOGART
SAHARA

Added: M. Melodie: Musical and Late News
Monday and Tuesday: Double Feature
HERE COMES Kelly Eddie QUILLAN Joan WOODBURY Maxie ROSENBLOOM
Feature No. 2

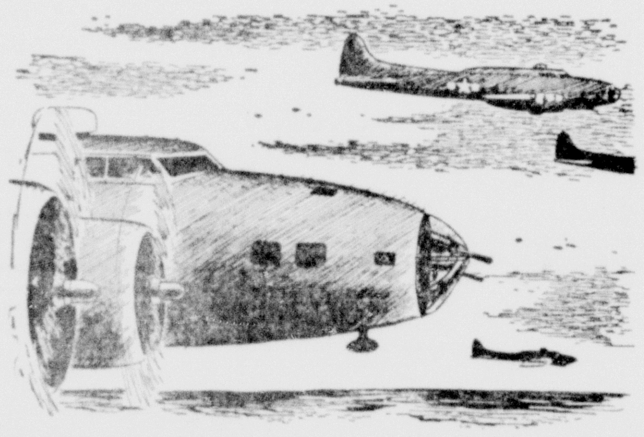
SELECT ATTRACTIONS PRESENTS
CITY of MISSING GIRLS
H. B. WARNER
ASTRID ALLWYN

Modern war has to have gigantic amounts of petroleum. *More than half the tonnage of supplies for the North African invasion was petroleum.* The 46,521 employees of the operating companies associated with Standard Oil Company (New Jersey) are deeply conscious of their responsibilities in meeting the war's needs. Here is a *partial* list of their accomplishments to date...

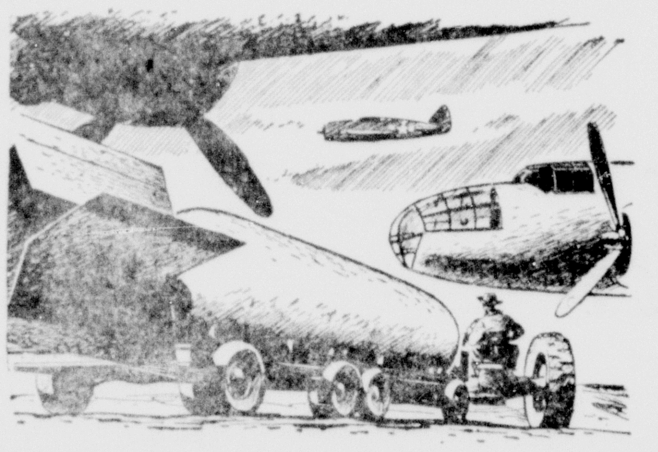
"Oil has not been lacking on any Battle Front..."

(RALPH K. DAVIES, DEPUTY
PETROLEUM ADMINISTRATOR FOR WAR)

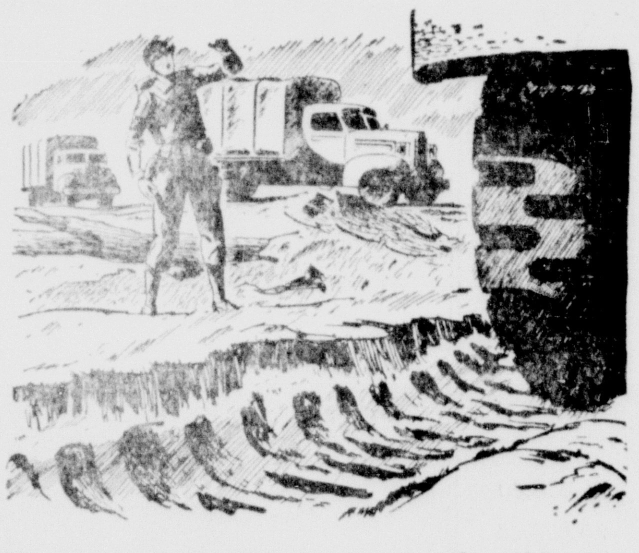
TWICE AS MUCH OIL has been produced by the people of our organization alone since Pearl Harbor as the Nazis have had from *every source.*



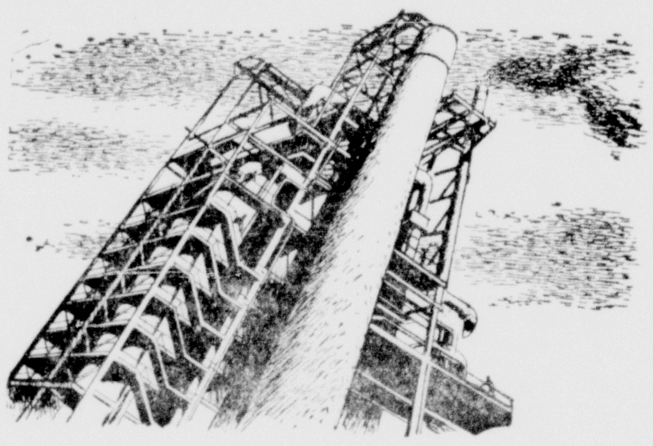
100-OCTANE SUPERFUEL from our organization's refineries has powered one in every four warplanes of the U. S. and Great Britain.



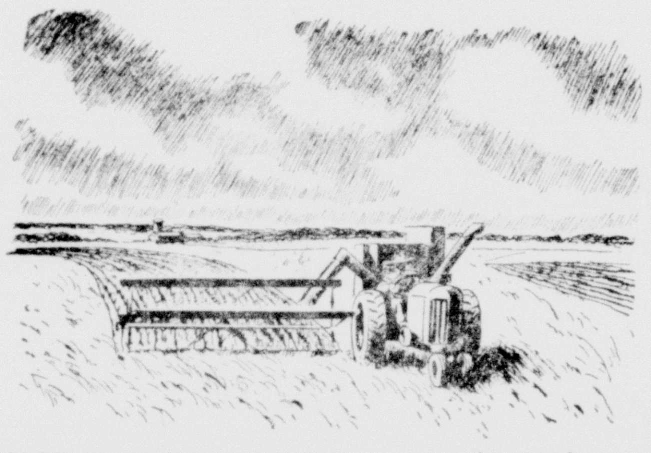
HALF THE NATION'S TOTAL TOLUENE FOR TNT has been produced from petroleum.



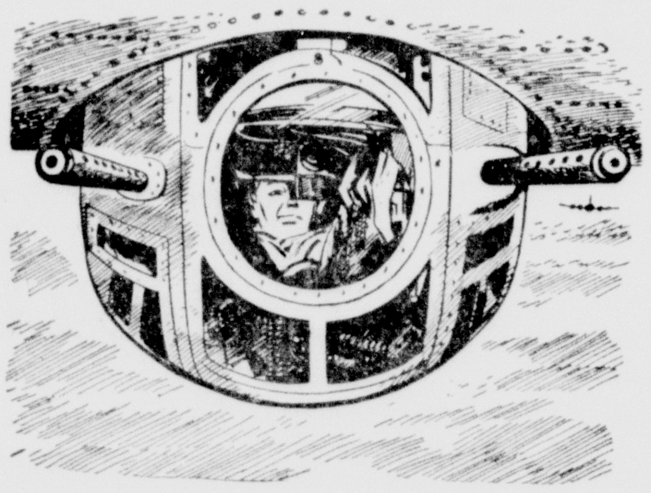
80% OF THE SYNTHETIC RUBBER produced in this country will be a type Standard Oil (N. J.) scientists brought here and developed.



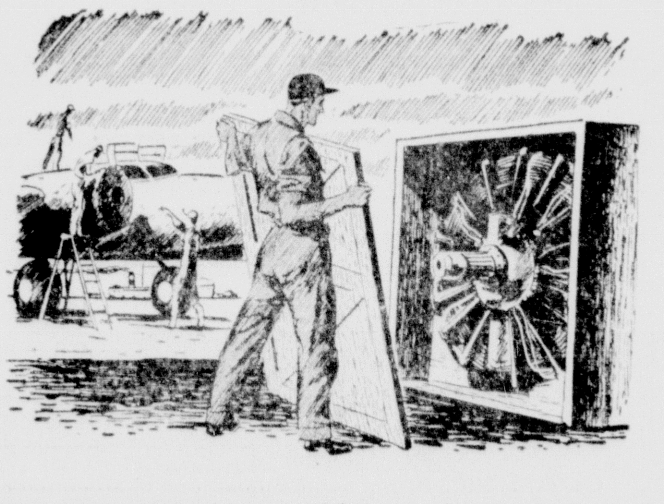
THE "JERSEY FLUID CATALYTIC" CRACKING PROCESS, developed in our laboratories, has been selected for over 50% of all catalytic cracking plants now in operation or under construction.



ALCOHOL FROM PETROLEUM — enough to release about 800,000 acres of wheat for use as food — has been made in our refineries.

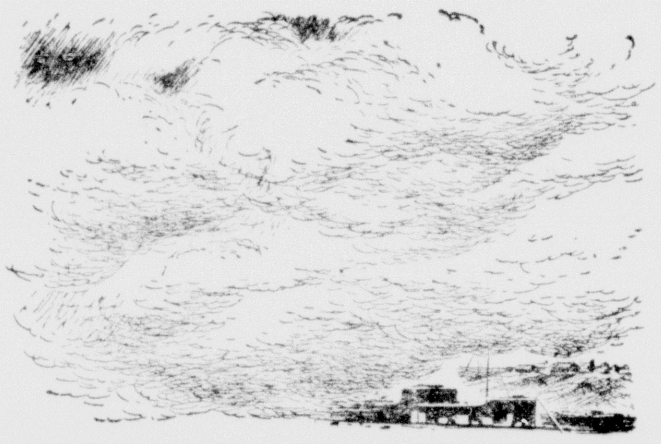


THE OILS ESSENTIAL FOR AIRCRAFT HYDRAULIC CONTROLS in stratosphere cold were originated by our research chemists.

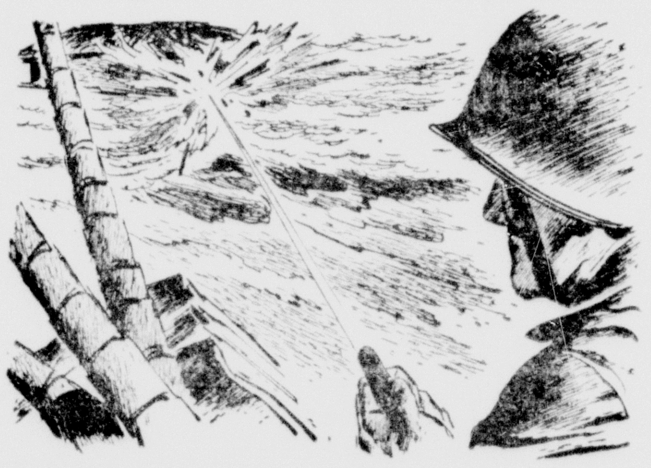


THE RUST PREVENTIVE which protects delicate internal parts of airplane engines during shipment was originated in their laboratories. For a long period we alone supplied this to every American airplane engine maker.

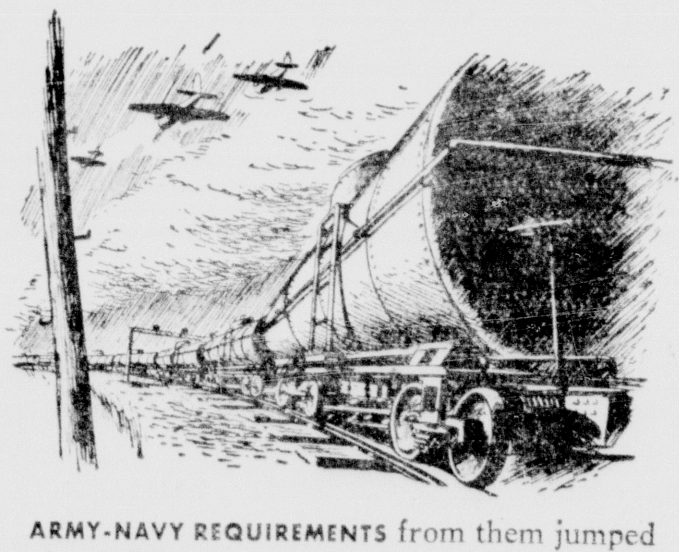
VISTANEX, A RUBBER-LIKE MATERIAL, which was the first satisfactory *insulation* for certain vital electrical military equipment, was perfected by our people.



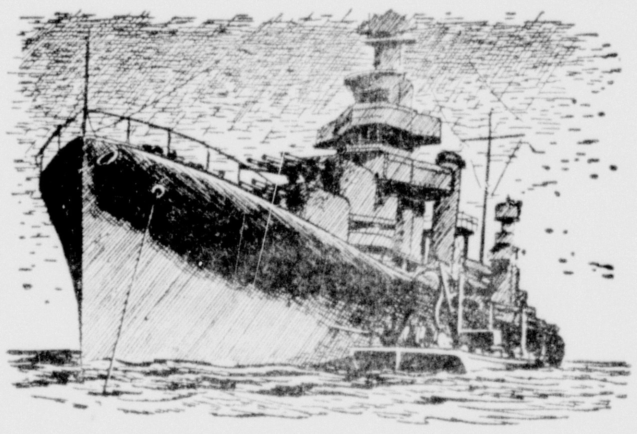
A NEW "LARGE AREA" SMOKE-SCREEN GENERATOR, developed from an idea given us by General Electric, protects our troops and equipment in territory captured from the enemy.



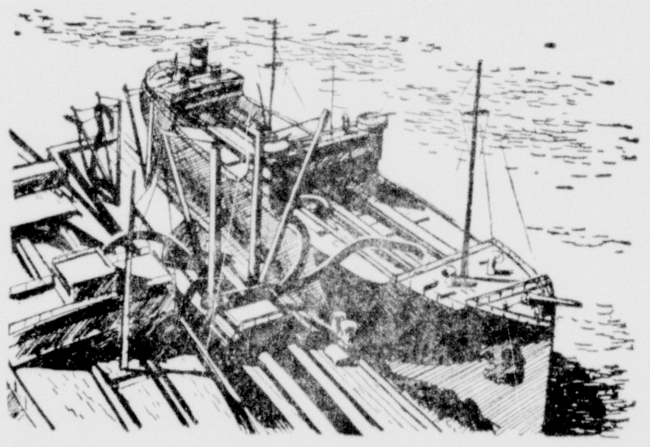
A REVOLUTIONARY FLAME THROWER AND NEW INCENDIARY BOMBS helped earn the Army and Navy "E" Award for our research laboratories where they were developed.



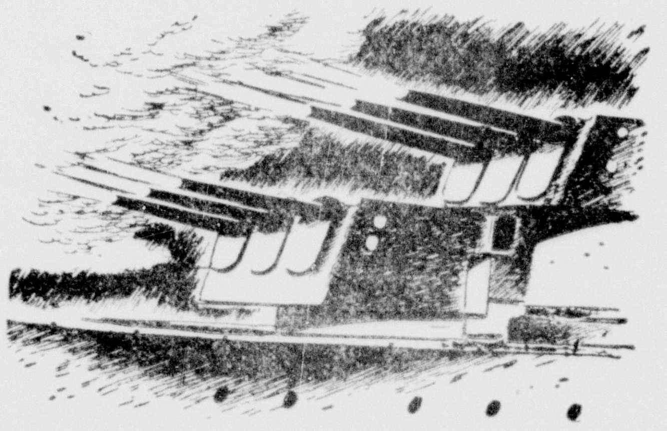
ARMY-NAVY REQUIREMENTS from them jumped almost 700% from 1941 to 1943 — and we take pride in the many commendations we have had for meeting demands on time.



OVER HALF OF ALL U. S. NAVY AND MERCHANT SHIPPING in the Atlantic has been supplied with fuel oil from their refineries, tankers, and loading terminals.



ONE-FIFTH OF ALL TANKER TONNAGE, privately owned under the U. S. flag, is now operated by this organization. At some 200 ports the world around, we offer fueling facilities to ships of the United Nations.



GUNFIRE CONTROL MECHANISMS like those on the famed U. S. S. Boise are made at one of our plants which formerly made oil burners and gasoline pumps.

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We take keen pride in the wartime record of the people of the operating companies associated with Standard Oil Company (New Jersey). There has not been a single strike since long before Pearl Harbor. Their absentee record is among the lowest. 5,892 of them have gone into the fighting forces. 46,521 remain to back them up.

(THIS MESSAGE HAS BEEN REVIEWED IN FULL BY THE ARMY AND NAVY, WHICH HAVE NO OBJECTION TO ITS PUBLICATION)

STANDARD OIL COMPANY (NEW JERSEY)

BASTROP IS TO HONOR PASTOR

First Baptists To Mark 20 Years Service Of Rev. Bennett

BASTROP, La., Jan. 1.—(Special)—The First Baptist church here is making elaborate plans to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the pastor, Rev. Horace M. Bennett, Wednesday January 5, at 7:30 p.m. There will be a reception on the first floor to which the general public is invited.

The program for the night meeting will be as follows, W. T. Smith presiding:

Prelude, Mrs. James Stewart.
Doxology.
Invocation, Dr. L. R. Morgan.
Hymn, "What A Friend We Have In Jesus," No. 160.

Twenty years and now: W. M. U., Mrs. E. R. Melton, president; Sunday school, T. C. Moore, superintedent; Brotherhood, Ira L. Evans, president; B. T. U., Mrs. Daisy Brodnax, director; board of deacons, M. V. Orr, chairman; Mrs. L. T. Hastings; Dr. L. R. Morgan.

Address, Dr. L. T. Hastings.
Words of appreciation, W. A. Page.
Hymn, "Bless Be the Tie," No. 239.
Benediction.

This church has enjoyed a remarkable growth since 1923 when the present pastor took charge. There was a membership then of only 304. Today the membership is 1,058.

During the past 20 years, the church has contributed for all purposes the sum of $200,916.43.

There have been 936 members received for baptism and 1316 received by letter during the past 20 years, or a total of 2,252 members.

Rev. Bennett, during his two decades of service, has conducted more than 800 funerals and has married approximately 700 couples.

FAVORS SCHOOLS FREE OF POLITICS

SHREVEPORT, La., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Jimmie Davis explained to an audience in Bossier City Friday night why he had not endorsed a candidate for superintendent of education.

"There has been some speculation," Davis said "over the fact that I have not endorsed a candidate for the office of superintendent of education. I haven't done so for the good reason that I believe the superintendent of education in the state should not be under obligation to any governor.

"I have long thought that the superintendent of education and the entire personnel of our school system from the bottom to the top should be independent of politics as our system of government makes possible.

"As most of you know, I have been a school teacher and the problems of the schools in Louisiana are close to my heart."

Davis also pledged to leave local affairs alone.

"If I am elected governor," he said, "I propose in a very real sense to leave local affairs to local authority. This is the Democratic notion of home rule."

Emile Verret, candidate for lieutenant governor, and Fred S. LeBlanc, candidate for attorney general spoke with Davis.

Davis and his band entertained with several songs and musical numbers.

Cattle were once free for the killing on the Argentine pampas; a license was required only for killing more than 10,000.

SECOND TERM IN SPANISH LISTED

College Class Will Be Organized Here On Tuesday

Conversational Spanish will be offered for the second quarter at Northeast Junior college through the extension division of Louisiana State university.

The organization meeting will be held in room 102 of the main college building, Tuesday, January 4, at 7 p.m., it is announced by Miss Hazel Mitchell, instructor.

The class is open to students who have had the fall quarter's instruction in the subject and to others who may have had some past study in the language and who desire to follow up with the study.

The class will meet twice weekly for a 12-week period. The course may be taken for college credits or not as the individual student may decide.

The fee for the course is $10.

Spanish is one of the coming languages, as all Central and South America, Brazil excepted, speaks this language, and as commercial interests between these countries and the United States are likely to be greatly increased, those who know spanish will, it is believed, have greater opportunities to make substantial advances than those who are unfamiliar with this language.

Nearly one in every three workers in Australian government and semi-government munitions, shipbuilding and aircraft works is a woman.

OUR MEN IN SERVICE

UNSCATHED IN BATTLE

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dupree, Loop road, Monroe, have just received a letter from their son, Fred Dupree, Jr., in the United States marines, in which he told of participating in the battle of Tarawa which the papers have designated as the bloodiest battle of recent time. Despite the fact that he was in the thick of the fight, young Dupree emerged without a scratch. He stated in his letter that "God was with me all the way through." He said it was not merely luck but a miracle.

He promised to send some Tarawa souvenirs later, and stated that they were encamped in a nice place but that that was about all he could say for it.

GRADY DEAN

Grady Dean, seaman first class, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Dean of Jonesboro, has just returned from sea duty in the south Pacific for a 30-day furlough with relatives and friends. He has seen active service in the battle of Tarawa and in the Gilbert islands. He is a graduate of the Jonesboro High school. While on his furlough he visited in the home of his uncle, J. H. Hackworth in Okaloosa.

JAMES D. OSBORNE

James D. Osborne, United States navy, recently promoted from seaman first class to carpenter's mate third class. He is a barber on a troop transport. He participated in the Sicilian invasion but escaped injury. He has been overseas since June 1, and in service since February 20, 1943.

His wife, formerly Miss Agnes Eldridge of West Monroe, is making her home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. S. Eldridge. They have a son, six months old, whom the father has never seen. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Osborne of Alton, Ill.

DONALD M. WALLACE

When Donald M. Wallace went into service in the southwest Pacific as radioman, when but 17 years of age, he was reputed to be the youngest radioman of his rank in his fleet.

He is designated as radioman second class in the fleet radio unit, detachment navy 245.

He was senior in Okaloosa High school when he enlisted in the navy June 22, 1942. He was first sent to a radio school in Moscow, Idaho, and then to Bainbridge, Md. He went on duty April 3, 1948, and has been in the southwest Pacific ever since.

His parents are Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wallace, Ward 8, Ouachita parish.

SERGEANT C. C. FRAZIER

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Frazier, of Lincoln parish, have been informed that their son, Sergeant C. C. Frazier, located in the southwest Pacific, received a serious brain concussion, when a horse he was riding, in company with some other soldiers, fell and the sergeant received a heavy blow on the head. He was placed in a hospital and will be returned to the States in the near future, according to word received by the parents from Captain Constantone Vardas, commanding officer.

The sergeant was paid a high tribute by the captain who stated he was one of the key men and that the loss of his services to his battery will be keenly felt.

Personals

Lieutenant Paul Hodnette, who is stationed at Camp Shelby, Miss., returned to his post after a short leave during the Christmas season which he spent with his mother, Mrs. M. L. Hodnette.

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Miss Elizabeth Johnson, who has been enjoying the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Johnson in Swartz, La., will return January 2, to the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where she matriculated in the fall as a junior.

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Mrs. C. C. Clay returned to El Dorado, Ark., after a pleasant stay of several days during the holiday season with her daughter, Miss Mary Clay on Louisville avenue.

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Mrs. Harry Lemert will return January 2, from Nashville, Tenn., where she joined her husband, Warrant Officer Lemert, to spend the Christmas holidays.

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Mr. and Mrs. Louis Turner and little daughter enjoyed the Christmas season in Louisville, Ky., where they visited Mrs. Turner's father, Mr. Ed C. Bryant, and her sister, Mrs. M. A. Gorman.

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Mrs. Frances B. Aylward has returned to Monroe to make her home for the duration with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Goyle, Sr. Lieutenant Aylward who is with army engineers has been assigned to overseas duty.

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Captain and Mrs. R. T. Goyne spent several days this past week in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Goyne, Sr., Captain Goyne is stationed now at the army airfield in DeRidder, Louisiana.

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Miss Dorothy Grant is in Minneapolis, Minn., under treatment of a specialist. She is also visiting her uncle, Ensign John Gunoius, United States navy reserves and other relatives. She is the daughter of Mrs. Edwin Johnson, West Monroe.

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Friends of Miss Addie Lee Harrison will regret to learn that she is ill with an attack of influenza.

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Ensign Fred Gray Thatcher, Jr., has reported to the Pacific coast for assignment after enjoying a brief holiday stay with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Thatcher. After receiving his commission at Annapolis December 21, he left by plane which enabled him to reach home the following day.

A Few Drops
Up Each Nostril Quickly Relieve
Head Cold Stuffiness
Specialized Medication Works Fast
Right Where Trouble Is—Makes Breathing Easier!

Grand relief from sniffly, sneezy, stuffy distress of head colds comes fast as Va-tro-nol spreads through the nose, reduces swollen membranes—soothes irritation, relieves congestion, helps clear cold-clogged nasal passages. Try it as directed in folder!

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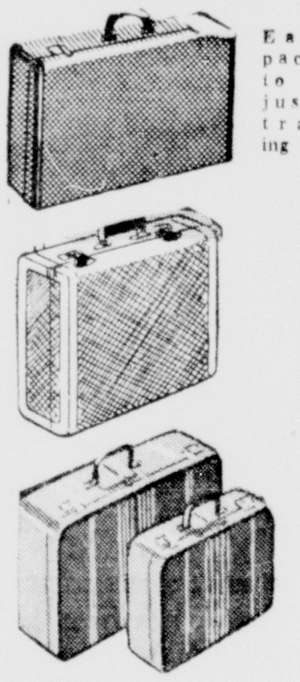

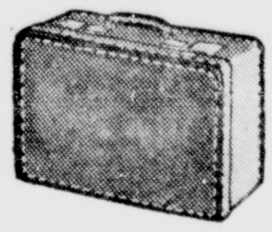

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- Overnight Cases
- "Campaigner Kit" (for men in service)
- Wooden Foot Lockers

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GRACE
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH

WISHES YOU
A Happy New Year
AND
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU
TO WORSHIP WITH US

SERVICES

7:30 A. M.—The Holy Eucharist
9:30 A. M.—The Church Schools
11:00 A. M.—Choral Eucharist and Sermon by the Rector. Subject: "The Holy Name, Jesus."

ST. DAVID'S, RAYVILLE
4:30 P. M.—Evensong and Sermon by the Rector

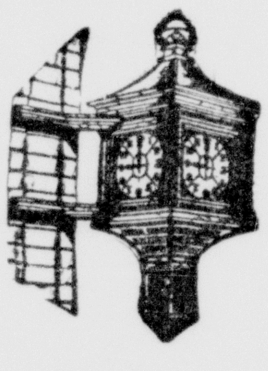
NOTE
Open House for the men at Selman Field
from 4 to 6 P. M. in Parish House
Come and Bring Your Friends

P. S.—
Begin the New Year by attending Church worship and feed your soul on the Bread of Life.

P. S.—
May you find in Christ Jesus the lasting peace of your heart.

Grace Church is Located 14 Blocks North of Illinois Central Railroad on Fourth Street.

Grace Episcopal Church



"Friendship That's
Real Down Thru
the Years.

May
forty-four
be the opening door
to *VICTORY*

Buy War Bonds
Fourth Loan
Drive Starts
January 18

May the end of the twelvemonth find "all quiet along the Western front"—and the "little yellow devils" in the East gasping for a very existence.

And may YOU be spared the pangs of pain from loss of life and limb of loved ones—the inevitable price to be paid for a permanent peace—one to last down thru the years—"as time goes on."

Our statement at the close of business December 31st, 1943

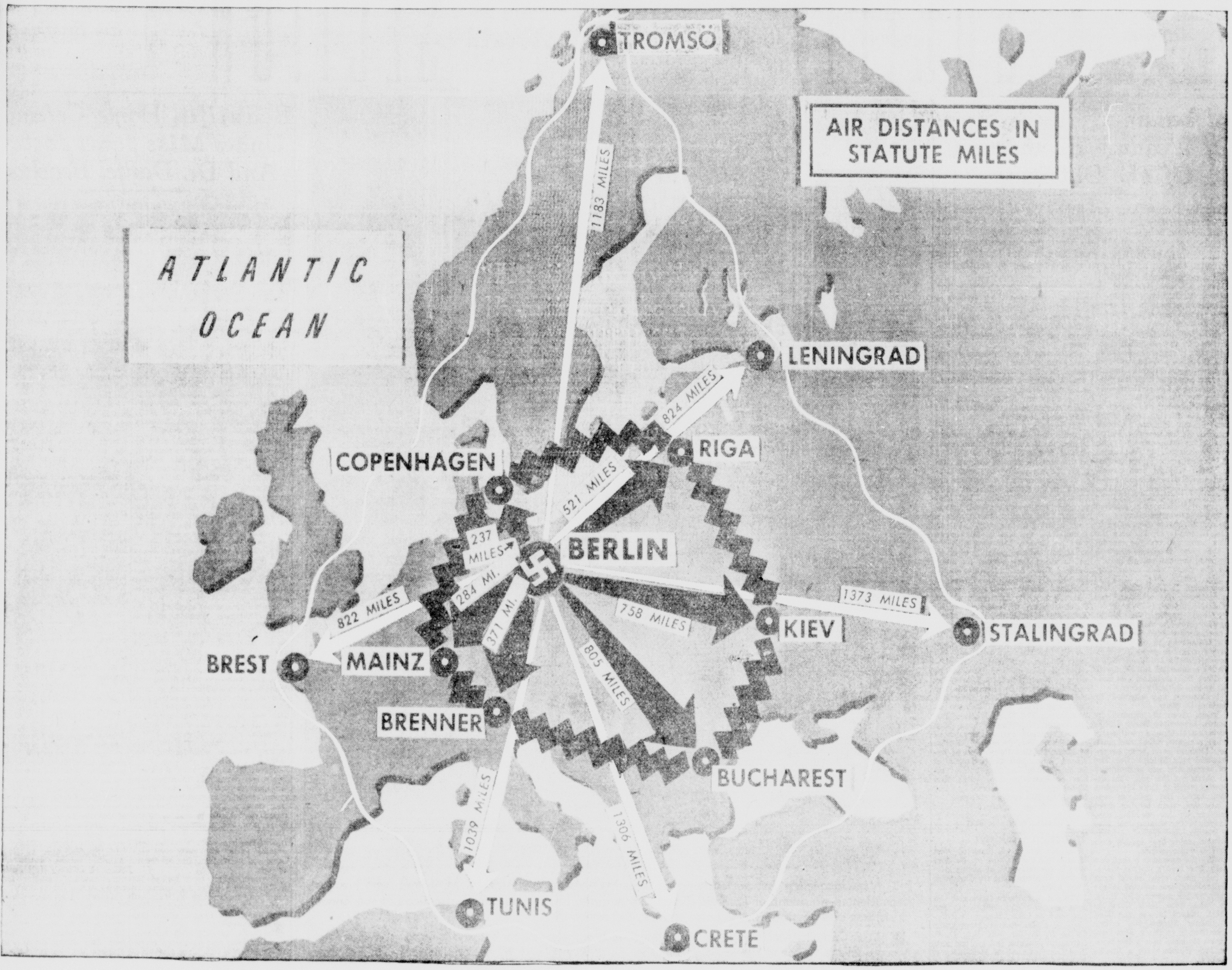
RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts		$ 1,766,019.89
Stocks and Bonds		4,142,184.74
Banking Houses, Furniture nd Fixtures		288,206.87
Other Real Estate		27,187.41
Other Assets		4,741.33
United States Bonds	$3,161,769.81	
Cash On Hand and In Banks	4,746,823.41	7,908,593.22
TOTAL RESOURCES		$14,136,933.46

LIABILITIES

Capital Stock		
Common	$375,000.00	
Preferred	125,000.00	
Surplus	400,000.00	
Undivided Profits	52,953.63	$ 952,953.63
Reserved for Dividend		11,250.00
Other Reserves		59,838.44
Deposits		13,112,891.39
TOTAL LIABILITIES		$14,136,933.46

Central Savings Bank & Trust Company
Beginning our 39th successful year—"as time goes on"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AIR DISTANCES IN STATUTE MILES
ATLANTIC OCEAN
1183 MILES
LENINGRAD
824 MILES
RIGA
COPENHAGEN
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BERLIN
284 MI.
371 MI.
822 MILES
758 MILES
1373 MILES
KIEV
STALINGRAD
BREST
MAINZ
805 MILES
BRENNER
BUCHAREST
1039 MILES
1306 MILES
TUNIS
CRETE

How Germany Is Growing *Stronger*

YOU MAY THINK Germany is growing weaker. But—

In many military respects, she is actually growing stronger. Here's how:

1. As Germany's lines of communication grow shorter, her military might will gather power, like a coiling spring. The Nazi armies that fought so furiously as far from home as Stalingrad and the Caucasus will fight even more furiously as the fighting approaches Poland and Germany proper.

2. Today Germany has 3 times as many combat divisions as she had when she attacked Poland 4 years ago. The divisions lost at Stalingrad have been replaced, and Germany has raised or reequipped a total of 60 new divisions. All told, Germany has 300 divisions!

3. The Germans now have 35,000,000 war workers in Nazi-dominated lands, as contrasted with 23,000,000 at the start of the war.

4. Germany can make ends meet on industrial manpower. She expects to add 3,000,000 more war workers in an all-out mobilization drive.

5. Allied air bombings have been affective, but the vast industrial power of Hitler's Europe is still high.

6. American officers returning from the front say that German prisoners are just as cocky and determined as ever.

7. German technicians are working feverishly on the development of new and deadlier weapons. One of these—the "magnetic" torpedo—has already begun to take its toll of lives and materials in the Battle of the Atlantic. Another, a rocket gun, has devastating fire power.

Nobody's trying to scare you. We're going to win this war. But the toughest fighting is still ahead—and War Bond buying must keep pace with the fighting!

The more men and the more money we can pour in now, the quicker we win. Buy an extra Bond—today!

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Monroe Morning World
Sunday, January 2, 1944

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Antebellum Home Is Scene Of Wedding Reminiscent Of The Old South

Candles flamed high and lighted the dim recesses of the spacious drawing room of the antebellum home of the Robert Laytons, when Miss Merilyn Flower Bush, beautiful blonde daughter of Mrs. Merrill Bush, became the bride of Charles Bromfield Ridley, son of Mrs. James Beall Ridley of Atlanta, Ga., in a ceremony characterized by sentiment, dignity and wartime simplicity.

The ceremony was performed by Dr. Edward F. Hayward, rector of Grace Episcopal church, in the presence of a fashionable throng of relatives and friends.

The flickering candlelight lighted up the faces of the old family portraits in their antique gold frames outlining the walls and was reflected in the floor length mirrors beneath which white camellias from the century old gardens at Layton Place, were banked on the low consoles.

An improvised altar was reared in one end of the drawing room where the long French windows overlook the Ouachita. At the base of the altar white camellias were arranged with considerable artistry. In the background myriad white tapers gleaming in white wrought iron seven-branched candelabra, created a cathedralesque atmosphere. The bride and bridegeroom knelt to receive the blessing on the white satin priedieu placed at the base of the altar.

White camellias were everywhere in evidence. Especially superb were the camellias arranged on the mantel above the great fireplace where a flaming wood fire cast roseate hues.

While the guests were assembling, Miss Leigh Slagle, sang with poignant sweetness, "I Love Thee." She was accompanied by her sister, Miss Clarice Slagle, pianist.

Miss Carol Layton, the bride's cousin, who served as maid of honor, might have stepped from the pages of Godey's Lady book so old-fashioned and lovely was her gown of azure blue brocaded satin fashioned with a tight fitting basque and full skirt with bustle effect. She carried an arm bouquet of yellow Butterfly roses.

The bridegroom was attended by Mr. Harland D. Shaw.

The bride, given in marriage by her cousin, Lieutenant Barry Stubbs of Washington, D. C., was traditionally lovely in a romantic, full-skirted gown of ivory Duchess satin with sweeping train and tight fitting bodice. The yoke of marquisette was embroidered in seed pearls and the long, tight fitting sleeves ended in Calla lily points over the hands. Her heirloom rose point lace veil, worn by her great grandmother on her wedding day, was caught to her shining hair Madonna fashion. She carried a white ivory bound prayer book marked with a cluster of white orchids.

Following the ceremony a reception was held. The bride's mother, wearing a pale green crepe model with gold embroidery, was assisted in the courtesies by her mother, Mrs. C. M. Flower, who wore black Chantilly lace. Mrs. Robert Layton and Mrs. Frank Palmer Stubbs, the bride's aunts, assisted in receiving. Mrs. Layton wore a Madonna blue velvet model and Mrs. Stubbs wore a fuschia crepe model.

The cutting of the beautifully embossed, three-tiered wedding cake took place in the dining room where the bride's table, overlaid with handsome Renaissance lace, was encircled with white camellias. At the four corners tall white tapers burned in Colonial silver candelabra. The cake, centering the table, was cut by the bride and bridegroom before they departed on their honeymoon in Orleans.

Toasts were drunk to the bride and bridegroom in sherry served by white clad attendants. Trays of luscious confections including individual wedding cakes were served.

The bride traveled in a smart tailleur of navy blue with blue accessories and corsage of orchids.

The bride is a member of an aristocratic and distinguished southern family. She is a member of the senior class at Sophie Newcomb college and will resume her studies early in January. She is a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and her name appeared in the 1943-44 edition of Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. The bride's maternal grandmother, Mrs. Charles Merrill Flower, now residing in this city, and her grandfather, the late C. M. Flower, were prominently identified with the social, cultural and civic life of Alexandria where they resided for many years at Evergreen plantation, one of the historic ante-bellum homes of Louisiana recently destroyed by fire.

Mr. Ridley, special agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, did his pre-legal work at Emory university prior to entering the law school of the University of Georgia from which he was graduated. He is a member of Chi Phi fraternity and Phi Delta Phi, honorary legal fraternity.

Out of town guests attending the wedding were: Mrs. D. S. Flower, Mr. and Mrs. Newton D. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Joffrion, Miss Hope Joffrion and Bush David Joffrion of Alexandria; Mrs. Mable Slagle of Baton Rouge; Miss Natalie Scott, Miss Alice Clark and Louise Peterman of Alexandria; Miss Catherine Bensabat of Memphis; Miss Betty Scott of Sewanee, Tenn.; Miss Claire Tinkler of St. Francisville, La.; Miss Rosalie Ambler of Pass Christian, Miss.; Miss Mabel Hochendel of Houma, La.; and Mrs. John Hill of New Orleans.

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Mr. And Mrs. Gates Entertain Children

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Gates of West Monroe had the pleasure for the first time in several years, of having most of their children home for Christmas. They were:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gates and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hayes and two sons, of Lake Charles, La.; Sergeant and Mrs. Robert Gates, Camp Davis, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Gates and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gates and son of West Monroe; Mrs. Gates' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hargis of Lake Charles were also visitors at that time.

Mr. and Mrs. Gates have two other sons in the armed forces who were unable to be at home.

Miss Jacqueline James, lovely young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. James, who has just been elected president of Lambda Sigma Chi sorority. She was formally introduced at the annual Christmas ball on the Frances hotel terrace, December 29.

Miss Cornelia McHenry, popular member of Monroe's younger set who is home from Randolph Macon college to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl McHenry, in Fairview. Lower left.

Miss Jeane Hunt, attractive member of the younger set, was recently elected president of Beta Delta sorority. She entertained with an intermission party at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. K. Hunt, following the Sigma Phi Omega Christmas ball at Likeside Country club.

Beautiful Home Ceremony Unites Miss Janet Jackson And Dr. Daniel Beacham

The marriage of Miss Janet Jackson, attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Napoleon Jackson and Dr Daniel Winston Beacham, son of Mrs. Woodard Davi Beacham and the late Dr. Beacham, was a bright, beautiful moment in this war-busy life and will be a shining memor for the bride to carry with her through the years.

The ceremony, dignified and impressive, took place at the Jackson home on Roselawn, December 27 at eight o'clock in the evening with Dr. A. M. Serex, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating.

The Jackson home, ideally adapted to an event of this nature, was in beautiful floral attire. In the drawing room, where the ceremony was performed before an improvised altar, superb Calla lilies and white bride's roses were used exclusively for the floral theme. Calla lilies arranged in artistic sheaves were silhouetted against a background of tall white cathedral tapers burning in handsome candelabra of Florentine design.

While the guests, limited to relatives and intimate friends, were assembling, and the tapers were being lighted, Mrs. A. M. Serex sang impressively, "Love Thee" by Grieg.

Miss Mary Alyce Jackson, the bride's sister, served as maid of honor. She wore a diaphanous model of horizon blue point d'esprit over blue taffeta. She carried an old fashioned bouquet of yellow butterfly roses and wore a chaplet of yellow roses in her hair.

The junior bridesmaid, Miss Winston Beacham wore a heavily blue model fashioned of point d'esprit over blue taffeta. She carried yellow roses and wore a cluster of yellow roses in her hair.

The bridegroom was attended by Dr. Hugh Thompsom Beacham of New Orleans.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Her wedding gown of tulle and satin was the spirit of an earlier day in 1943 design. The skirt, long and full had inserts of Chantilly lace. The bodice was tight fitting with a high, round neckline and yoke of Chantilly lace. The sleeves puffed high at the shoulders were elbow length. Her veil of illusion was caught to the hair with a coronet of orange blossoms.

A superb bouquet of Calla lilies, valley lilies and white orchids was carried.

The reception, following the ceremony was charmingly informal with the mothers of the bride and bridegroom extending courtesies. Mrs. Jackson wore a purple crepe evening model embroidered in sequins of the same color and a corsage of purple orchids.

Mrs. Beacham wore a white crepe evening model with deep yoke embroidered in sequins. She also wore orchids.

Beautiful yellow roses banked the buffet, serving tables and mantel in the dining room where the bride and bridegroom cut their wedding cake before leaving for Florida where they are honeymooning.

The table, overlaid with imported Venetian lace, was developed exclusively in white and silver plaques of white orchids and white sweet peas were placed at the four corners and at either end of the table were placed antique, seven-branched silver candelabra supporting white tapers.

The three-tiered wedding cake was a noteworthy confection. It was embossed in white and surmounted with a crystalized urn overflowing with white orchids and white bride's roses.

Trays of delectable viands, includin individual wedding cakes were passe among the guests.

The bride traveled in a distinctive Fred Block two-piece model of blue imported wool with silver fox collar. She wore a Dutch black cap embroidered in blue. The orchids from her wedding bouquet were worn on her shoulder.

Following the honeymoon the young couple will be at home at 3912 Franklin avenue, New Orleans, where Dr. Beacham is resident physician at Charity hospital. He is graduate of the Louisiana State university and is a member of Kappa Sigma and Phi Chi (medical) fraternities.

The bride, one of the loveliest members of Monroe's younger set is a graduate of the Louisiana State university and is a member of Kappa Delta sorority.

Out of town guests attending the wedding were: Dr. A. V. Beacham and Mrs. W. D. Beacham of Magnolia, Miss.; Dr. Hugh Beacham and Dr. Woodward Beacham of New Orleans; Reverend and Mrs. W. M. Sullivan of Magnolia, Miss.; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Beacham of Carthage, Miss.; Mrs. N. M. Jackson, Mrs. M. T. Crowe of Winnfield, La.; Lieutenant and Mrs. Owen Ware, Mrs. A. H. Jackson of Baton Rouge; Mrs. E. E. Baugh and Mrs. B. H. Morton of Ruston, La.; Private Albert Thomas of New Orleans; Private Jack Jackson of New Haven, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. F. Robinson and Miss Betty Robinson Bastrop.

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Junior Charity League Has Christmas Meeting

Members of the board of the Junio Charity league and the new member motored out to the plantation hom of the new president, Mrs. Henry Hinkle for a bit of the holiday cheer associated with this hospitable home.

The Christmas colors were everywhere in evidence in the spacious, firelit, living room where a glistening Christmas tree glorified one section of the room.

A miniature Christmas tree laden with sparkling baubles and dripping with silver tinsel, centered the tea table presided over by Mrs. Foster Wallace, former league president. Trays of delicious fruit cake, sweets, salted nuts and crystalized fruits wer passed during the tea hour.

Members of the board present were Mrs. Henry Hinkle, Mrs. Alston Prophit, Mrs. Darwin Nichols, Mrs. Pearson Dunn, Mrs. Vernon LaCour, Mrs. Fred Amman, Mrs. Brewer Godfrey, Mrs. James Harris, Mrs. A. J. McGinn, Mrs. George Weaks, Jr., Mrs. Paul Neal, Mrs. Ray Rhymes.

New members were Miss Jane Mo Kenzie, Miss "Snooky" McHenry, Mr Thomas Wyatt, Mrs. Ross Bannister, Mrs. Larkin Breed, Mrs. John Eby, Jr., Mrs. A. S. Tidwell, Jr., Mrs. T. Fitzhugh Wilson.

Miss Jo Ann Biedenharn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Biedenharn, attractive member of the college set who was home from The Principia college, St. Louis, during the holidays.

etty Jane Yeldell, Robert Bushnell Wed

pular Local Girl And Wisconsin Man Married At First Baptist Church

Claiming prominence among the many beautiful wedding ceremonies during the month of December was that of Miss Betty Jane Yeldell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Yeldell, and Staff Sergeant Robert R. Bushnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Bushnell of Platteville, Wis., at the First Baptist church this city with the pastor, Rev. L. T. Hastings, officiating.

Luxuriant palms and ferns formed a dignified background for the classic shaped urns overflowing with bright red roses. Myriad cathedral tapers burned in tall floor length candelabra on either side of the altar and formed a semi-circle for the wedding party.

While the candles were being lighted Mrs. Florence Ziegler Allbritton rendered an organ concert and accompanied the soloist, Private Andrew Hanson who sang "Because" and "At Dawning."

The bridesmaids, Miss Jimmie Burnett and Miss Wilma Garner, wore camellia pink brocaded taffeta gowns fashioned with long, full skirts and tight fitting basques with sweetheart neckline. They carried arm bouquets of Rainbow daisies and pastel shaded chrysanthemums.

The maid of honor, Miss Carla Allbritton wore azure blue brocaded taffeta fashioned along lines similar to the gowns worn by the bridesmaids. She also carried an arm bouquet of rainbow colored daisies and chrysanthemums.

Staff Sergeant Paul Strong of Winter Park, Fla., served as best man. The groomsmen were Sergeant Irwin Kampen of Madison, Wis., and Sergeant Donald Morgan of Hibbing, Minn.

The ushers were Sergeant John Seline of Chicago, Sergeant Jack Noland of Monroe, Private Lawrence Amdall of Wisconsin and Private Fred Dudgeon of Sacramento, Calif.

The bride, given in marriage by her uncle, Mr. Laurin L. Blanchard, wore the traditional ivory satin wedding gown with long full skirt ending in a court train. The sweetheart neckline of the tight fitting bodice was embroidered in seed pearls. Her finger-tip veil of illusion was caught to the hair with a cap of tulle. She carried an arm bouquet of white split carnations and bouvardia.

The reception following the ceremony took place at the home of the bride's parents. The reception suite was adorned with white carnations overflowing from tall floor standards grouped at vantage points.

The bride's table was developed in white and silver with the three-tiered wedding cake centering the candlelit board. Silver trays held a wide assortment of confections. Iced fruit frappe was served from a mammoth crystal bowl placed at one end of the table. Plaques of white carnations centered with white tapers graced the four corners.

The bride changed her wedding gown for a smart three-piece model of brown gabardine with blouse of navy blue. Her top coat was of brown virgin wool and all accessories were of brown.

When the young couple return from their honeymoon they will be at home at 103 Pear street, this city.

The bride, is a young woman of charming personality. She is a graduate of the Ouachita Parish High school and Northeast Junior college.

The bridegroom is a graduate of the Platteville State Teacher's college, Wisconsin, and is now stationed at Selman field.

Among the out of town guests attending the wedding were Mrs. Luther Powers, III, from Memphis, Tenn.

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Miss Alla Mathis And Lieutenant Finch Wed

Announcement has been made of the marriage of Miss Alla Elizabeth Mathis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Mathis of Dickson, Tenn., and Lieutenant James H. Finch at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Warren, December 23.

The bride wore a Bahama blue light wool ensemble with black accessories and a corsage of sweetheart roses.

Following the reception an informal reception was held with Mr. and Mrs. Warren extending courtesies.

The bride and bridegroom cut their beautifully embossed wedding cake centering the lace covered table. Plaques of beautiful yellow tea roses were placed at the four corners of the table. Frosted frappe and a variety of confections were served during the evening by Miss Jackie Warren.

Lieutenant Finch is stationed at Selman field and is secretary and treasurer of the Officer's club.

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Miss Annette Lieber Weds Lieut. Milligan

Announcement has just been made of the marriage of Miss Annette Juliet Lieber, daughter of Mrs. Ben Lieber of this city and Lieutenant Hugh Ernst Milligan, of Youngston, Ohio, November 20, 1943.

The bride is a graduate of Neville High school and Northeast Junior college.

Lieutenant Milligan is a graduate of Purdue university. He is the son of Mr. John R. Milligan of Youngston, Ohio. Lieutenant Milligan formerly was a navigator instructor at Selman field and recently received his bombadier wings at Roswell, N. M., and is now stationed at the Walker army air base at Hays, Kansas.

After the wedding ceremony the young couple visited relatives in Youngston, Ohio.

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Fred L. Strickland, Jr., who is attending officer's candidate school at Emory university, Ga., spent the holidays in this city.

SERGEANT AND MRS. BUSHNELL

Staff Sergeant and Mrs. Robert R. Bushnell whose marriage was an interesting event of December. Mrs. Bushnell was the former Miss Betty Jane Yeldell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Yeldell of this city.

Mrs. McCoy Winner In Nation's Poem Contest

Local Woman's Entry Places Third Among National Thanksgiving Poetry

National recognition has come to Mrs. Eulalia Parrill McCoy of this city in the selection of her poem "Be Thankful" as third prize winner in the annual Thanksgiving poetry contest, according to an announcement from Mrs. Bernard Druck, president of the National Thanksgiving association, St. Paul, Minn.

Mrs. McCoy's entry competed with over two thousand poems from thirty-eight states. First prize was awarded to Mrs. Carl E. Baker of Moville, Iowa, for "American Thanksgiving," while the second award was granted to Paul A. Cole, Spokane, Wash., for his poem "Thanksgiving."

In addition to this special recognition, thirteen winners received financial rewards. The first prize was a $25 war bond, second and third places captured $15 and $10 in war savings stamps respectively. A gift of $5 in war savings stamps went to the ten remaining winners. Honorable mention also was given to thirteen entrants, including Louisianian, Mrs. Edwin E. Ohlfs of New Orleans, for her poem "Of Human Events."

Besides these prizes, there were numerous awards in each state. Mrs. Henry Harrison, publisher, will present to each first prize winner, "Music Unheard," a two-volume set anthology edited by Margery Mansfield; "300 Years, The Poets and Poetry of Maryland," edited by Loker Raley. Mrs. Druck will give her play, "The Spirit of Thanksgiving," to the second winner in each state.

Mrs. J. R. White, state chairman of the National Poetry association, explained that the objects of the annual contest were two fold: to promote a greater interest in an appreciation of the traditions and accomplishments of our country as reasons for gratitude; in the giving of thanks to God for the blessings of our land to display the flag as evidence of our remembrance and appreciation.

Poems which were entered in competition reflected the patriotic and religious significance of Thanksgiving and the historical reasons why the flag should be displayed. Each contestant was permitted to enter three poems, none of which could be over twenty lines in length. Any poetic form was allowed.

Mrs. McCoy, a teacher in the Central Grammar school of the Monroe city schools, has been interested in literature, and poetry in particular, ever since she can remember, she says. She always found it easier to give expression in verse rather than in prose whether it was giving character sketches or stories, philosophy or experiences, she explained. It was this hobby which led her to schedule as many college classes as possible in literature, with special emphasis upon poetry.

Her prize winning selection follows:

BE THANKFUL

"Arise!
Give thanks to God
For all the beauteous world
Wherein four freedom's flag unfurled
Bespeaks the majesty of toiling hours
When Pilgrims found our woods and
hills and shady bowers
And made a place to think and feel
grandeur of it all;
Wherein to grow in mind and let the
soul be drawn
To greater things—the work of brain
and brawn.
Our land a miracle of powers,
A garden spot of flowers,
And over all
Our Flag!"

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Miss Kitty McNair Weds Marvin Nolan

A wedding of interest to friends in the Sicily Island community was that of Miss Kitty McNair to Mr. Marvin Nolan, Jr., at the Methodist parsonage in Natchez on Saturday afternoon at five o'clock with Rev. Bullock officiating. Attendants were the bride's sister, Miss Dorothy McNair and Sergeant Hardy of Camp Van Dorn.

The bride wore a lovely blue dinner model with black accessories and a corsage of orchids.

Miss McNair is a graduate of the Sicily Island High school and attended L. P. I. at Ruston and Monroe Business college. She was recently employed in the farm extension office in Harrisonburg. The groom is a graduate of Sicily Island High school and is employed now at the DuPont chemical plant of Baton Rouge where the couple will make their home.

Friends and relatives attending the wedding were: Mesdames Jessie McNair, C. J. Gordon, Martin Enright, Misses Barbara Jane Peck, Winnie Wynn, Evelyn Ogden, Dorothy McNair, Jeanette Saltzman, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Durham, Mr. Fred Krause and Sergeant McIntyre of Camp Claiborne.

Society Calendar

Saturday

The marriage of Miss Gertrude Elizabeth Zurga and Sergeant Glen Walter Bluhm will take place at the priest's home, St. Paschal's church, West Monroe, January 1 at 3 p.m. A reception will take place immediately after the wedding at the bride's home, 600 Wood street, West Monroe. All friends are invited to attend.

Meeting of the Victory club with Mamie Drouet, 510 Auburn, 2 p.m.

Miss Jeane Hunt will entertain with "open house" during the intermission of the Sigma Phi Omega ball.

Meeting of the Atheneum club with Mrs. Harry Schroeder and Mrs. Fred Grant, 3 p.m.

Sunday

Beta Delta will meet at 2 p.m. at the home of Miss Margaret Ola Eaves, 111 Lazarre avenue, West Monroe.

Open house at West Monroe Civic league between the hours of 3 and 5. The public is invited.

Meeting of Delta Beta Sigma sorority with Mary Alice Mickel, 2 p.m.

Monday

The Welcome Garden club will meet with Mrs. Charles S. Swain, 3101 South Grand street, Monday, January 3. Each member is asked to answer roll call with either a specimen or a cemellia.

Meeting of the Review club with Mrs. W. T. Davis, North Second street, 2:30 p.m.

The Literary Guild will meet at 2:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. W. E. Wilson with Mrs. Herbert Breard co-hostess.

Tuesday

Meeting of the W. S. C. S. of the First Methodist church 3 p.m. Installation of officers and informal tea.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service of Stone Avenue Methodist church will meet at the church at 2:30 p.m.

Regular business meeting of Woman's Missionary society of First Baptist church, 3 p.m.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church will meet at 2:15 p.m. for the executive board meeting. Regular business meeting at 3 p.m.

Meeting of Temple Sisterhood at the temple annex 2:30 p.m.

Meeting of St. Matthew's Altar society with Mrs. W. E. Reardon, 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Meeting of Twentieth Century Book club with Mrs. E. C. Gibson, 3 p.m.

The Junior Knitters will meet with Mrs. Arthur Kite, 1018 North Sixth street, at 10 a.m.

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Readers Clique Hears Interesting Address

Mrs. Wilbur Ross was hostess Thursday afternoon to the members of the Readers Clique. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Henry Loeb. The club collect was read in unison. After roll call there were reports from the committees in charge of the activities during the Christmas holidays. Mrs. Sidney Gill gave a report from the committee that took the toys, that the club members had reconditioned, to the children's ward at the Charity hospital. She said: "If all of us could have seen the happy, appreciative expressions in the eyes of both the white and colored children, and also the mothers to whom toys were given for their children at home, our own Christmas would have been much happier." Mrs. Ross, a member of the Crippled Children's association, thanked the members of the Readers Clique for their efforts to make the party for the crippled children a success.

After the usual business, Mrs. Loeb introduced the program chairman, Mrs. Clyde Blanchard, who gave a splendid paper on "War comes to Liberty Hill" from the National Parent-Teacher magazine. It is a story of a girl of fourteen in a nation at war, life is a thrilling and a tremendous adventure. She said in part "Miriam Talcott knocked on the door 'Not in bed yet, Deborah?' 'Not yet, Mymmy. Honest, I'm not a bit sleepy.' Miriam entered and felt an amused and helpless wonder at the room, which was basically a good room, but by the time Deborah had added all the things that ministered to her lingering childhood and emerging adolescence, chaos ruled supreme—out of an impartial love for movie stars, the army, the navy and the air force, hockey, Indian craft, books, pressed wild flowers, party favors, soap carvings and puppies.

"Miriam discovered that her daughter was writing a poem, and asked if she were going to read it to her. She told her mother that this poem was different from any she had ever written and she guessed it came from a deeper feeling and it's called 'Soldier's Wife, or the Larger Loyalty.' Well, anyway, here's the poem:

'Your letters can't tell me where
you are—
Under the western or the eastern
star.
I look east and west—and wonder
But I know you are true.
And you don't have to wonder;
I belong to you...
I'm right here at home
And I belong to you.'

"She thought it very impressive and asked her mother if she didn't think so too. Miriam asked her daughter of whom she was thinking when she wrote the poem—and she told her of Claude. She told her mother that meeting Claude had somehow made the other boys seem awfully young. But then, Larry was making up some swell pieces for his orchestra, original pieces and he may someday be a great composer. Then she sighed and said 'Mummy, do you think it would be disloyal to suggest a song to Larry, like 'I'm fighting this war in the Signal corps, and your eyes are a signal to me.'"

Mrs. Ross invited her guests into the dining room, where Mrs. Henry Loeb presided at the silver coffee service, trays held salted nuts, mints, cookies and miniature hot rolls filled with chicken salad. A conversational interlude was enjoyed by the following members and guests:

Mrs. Henry Loeb, Mrs. Fred Hemler, Mrs. Sidney Gill, Mrs. Clay Albright, Mrs. Jack Masur, Mrs. Stanley Archibald, Mrs. Wm. Ryland, Jr., Mrs. Oliver Lowery, Mrs. Clyde Blanchard, Mrs. E. T. Robinson, Mrs. Alvin Furlow, Mrs. Raymon John, Mrs. Burl Hollis. Guests: Mrs. C. J. Phelps, Mrs. Gary Kendall.

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Holiday guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Jones were their son, Lieutenant Joe Ben Jones of Hawze Field, Texas, their daughter, Miss Frances Jones of Shreveport, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Miller, Jr., of Fort Worth, Texas.

VIVIAN DELLA CHIESA

The beautiful young lyric soprano, Vivian Della Chiesa, will be presented in concert by the Monroe Civic Music association on the night of January 17 at the Ouachita Parish High school auditorium.

Vivian Della Chiesa Coming Here Jan. 17

During the year, 1943, music in Monroe progressed and a new social consciousness came into being. Outstanding perhaps was the work accomplished by the Civic Music association in bringing back to Monroe, after a lapse of one year, the type of music supplied through the channels of this organization.

The membership drive during the month of November was successful from every viewpoint and resulted in the selection of Vivian Della Chiesa, lyric soprano, for the first artist on the season's program. She will be presented January 17 at the Ouachita Parish High school auditorium.

The career of Vivian Della Chiesa came to an exciting climax in January, 1943, when Arturo Toscanini paid her the unprecedented honor of presenting her as soloist with the NBC Symphony Orchestra in two successive Sunday concerts. On January 24, the vivid young American soprano sang the taxing soprano role in the Maestro's performance of the Brahms Requiem. On January 31, she took part in an all-Verdi program under his enkindling direction. Encomiums from the press, from the public, too, greeted her in both appearances.

Vician Della Chiesa's artistry was already securely established in the affections of music-lovers throughout the United States and Canada. From coast to coast, concert-goers have been thrilled by her remarkable voice and exceptional musicianship, charmed by her good looks and infectious personality. Devotees of the opera know and admire her performances in such varied roles as Violetta in "Traviata," Marguerite in "Faust," Mimi in "Boheme," Desdemona in "Otello," and Donna Elvira in "Don Giovanni." Moreover, millions of radio fans look forward to her frequent appearances on many of the most popular programs on the airwaves.

WEDDING ATTENDANTS

Mrs. Carl Raymond Crites was attended by six lovely maids, a ring bearer and a flower girl when she became the bride of Lieutenant Crites at a beautiful ceremony at the First Presbyterian church. Reading from left to right they are: Miss Peggy Morrison, Miss Betty Simonton, Mrs. James C. Bones, Miss Gayle McDonald, Miss Jeanette Clarkson, Tommy McDonald and Sue Stubbs.

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Lives Of Outstanding Poets Are Discussed

Monroe Bookfellows Hear Papers On Robert Browning And Sidney Lanier

The Monroe Bookfellows held a delightful meeting in the home of Mrs. E. C. Gibson, on Monday, December 27. Notwithstanding severe weather and holiday counter-attractions the meeting was well attended, and Miss Mae Read was welcomed as a guest.

A communication from National Order of Bookfellows, inviting this group to be represented at the annual Christmas party in Chicago was much appreciated, and regretfully declined.

A number of volumes having been added to the group's library, it was proposed that a special Bookfellow shelf be arranged for at the Monroe Library, in order that the books may be more conveniently circulated.

An invitation was received from the Sonnet club, a new organization with Mrs. Ethel Green Russell as its inspiration and originator, offering membership in that club to members of the Monroe Bookfellows. Much appreciative interest was expressed.

The co-hostess, Mrs. Norman Coon, read two recent poems by one of the group members, Mrs. Adelaide Long Lawson, recently published. The program following consisted of a discussion of the life and literary career of Sidney Lanier by Mrs. E. C. Gibson, and of Robert Browning by Mrs. Norman Coon. Numerous quotations from these two writers were discussed and enjoyed. Of Sidney Lanier, Mrs. Gibson said:

"Sidney Lanier, the greatest of the southern poets, was born in Macon, Georgia, almost 102 years ago. Like any normal boy, he loved outdoor sports, and also had a great fondness for reading. His musical gifts early showed themselves, and while very young, with almost no instruction, he became proficient on a number of musical instruments. It is said that the playing of his violin wrought his emotions to such a high tension that he had to forego the cultivation of that instrument. The flute was his accepted favorite.

"Immediately after graduation from Oglethorpe college at Milledgeville, he was appointed to a tutorship in his Alma Mater; but the war took the young tutor from books to arms. After seeing much service, Lanier was finally captured and imprisoned at Point Lookout until exchanged in 1865, exhausted and depleted in health, he spent several years in various occupations while vainly seeking to regain his health. He practiced law with his father in Macon for a while, but was forced to seek relief from failing health in another climate. He was married to Miss Mary Day, of Macon.

"Realizing that his years would be few, and that he must make the most of them, he entered upon an engagement, in December, 1873, to play first flute in the Peabody Symphony concerts in Baltimore. This occupation and environment gave him opportunity for study, of which he made good use, and some of his best known writings were produced along about that time. He had many stimulating and encouraging friends, of whom none was more helpful than Bayard Taylor. A little later notwithstanding his suffering, he delivered a course of lectures in the Johns Hopkins university. During this period he was prolific as a poet, and much of his best work was done in the constant shadow of pain.

"The results of these labors have given Lanier a name and fame that compares well with the greatest of American writers. In an age when so much of literature is affected by realism, and the theory of 'art for art's sake only,' the moral purity and lofty idealism reflected in his writings shows that he had the true poet's discernment of 'the beauty of holiness' and 'the holiness of beauty.'

"After a brief life span of thirty-nine years, most of which was shadowed by suffering, Lanier joined the Choir Invisible, leaving his record not only as the most important native poet the south has produced, but one of the most distinctive and lovely of American singers, wherever born. Had he lived longer, and had a freer opportunity, doubtless his literary bequest would have been richer and more completely expressive of himself. But as it is, in quality and accomplishment, Sidney Lanier has his place as an American poet of distinction. He is one of those rare illustrations of the union of high character and artistic production in harmony with the nobility of his character. It has been said of him: 'His song was only living aloud; his work, a singing with his hand.'"

Of Robert Browning, Mrs. Coon said:

"Born into a family of education and refinement, this poet had opportunity to absorb ideals and cultivate attitudes of mind in harmony with such a background. His father was a clerk in the Bank of England, with a decided turn for books and writing, and Robert was educated chiefly at home, and at the University of London. He grew up with the idea that much in society is not right, owing, as he thought, to the prevalence of low ideals.

"Browning was fortunate in his association with a number of writers who shared his belief that art is not art unless it is uplifting, and whose common aim was to overcome the insincerity and selfishness of society. When Wordsworth, one of these friends, accepted the position of poet laureate in 1843, Browning felt that his friend was being lured from the sincere pursuit of his art by the honor and distinction of the office. His feelings were expressed in the poem, 'The Lost Leader,' thus:

"'Just for a handful of silver he left us,
Just for a riband to stick in his coat.'

"Browning's marriage to Elizabeth Barrett was an ideally happy one, notwithstanding the opposition of her family, and the fact that she was an invalid. Being a man of robust health, his wife's weakness evoked an especial tenderness from him. They lived in Florence, Italy, but traveled back and forth frequently, attending to their publishing interests. Mrs. Browning wrote of a delightful two days' visit from Tennyson, while all were in London for a few days. The only source of tolerant disagreement during their fifteen years of wedded life, was Mrs. Browning's leaning toward spiritualism, for which Browning had no regard. This difference may have had more of a deterrent effect upon him than was recognized at the time, for much of his best work was done after her death.

"Much of Browning's work is very difficult reading, due to his own peculiar style, and to the fact that his allusions are far beyond the knowledge of ordinary readers and often tax the information of the really learned. Those who have learned to understand and enjoy his writings, however, claim that they make all other writings seem flat and insipid. However, he wrote also a number of simpler lyrics suitable to the understanding of young people and of older people with a less cultivated appreciation. Among them, "The Pied Pipe of Hamelin" and "How They Brought the Good News From Ghent to Aix," are even included in school readers.

Rather tardily, recognition came to Browning at the age of 55, when he had conferred upon him degrees by Oxford and Cambridge universities. At his death, his body was brought home from Venice, and interred in Westminister Abbey, between Cowley and Chaucer. Appropriately, he rests with the great.

While Browning's poems express great strength and intellectual depth, and constitute a challenge to the capacity of his readers, not many of them are expressive of sheer beauty. A delightful exception is his "Pippa Passes," the doctrine of this lovely poem being that a lightsome heart makes the burdens of others lighter, as Pippa sings:

"The year's at the spring;
The day's at the morn;
Morning's at seven;
The hill-side's dew-pearled;
The lark's on the wing;
The snail's on the thorn;
God's in his heaven—
All's right with the world."

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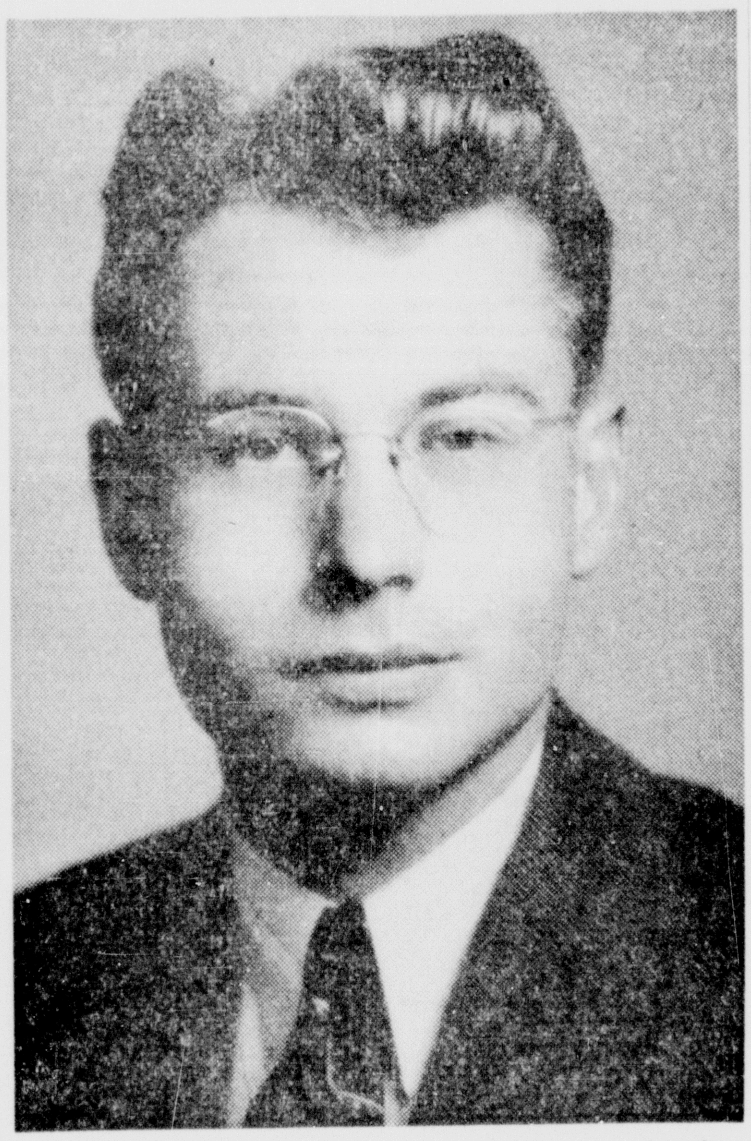
POPULAR GREEK LETTER MAN



William Hamilton Armstrong III, who is now with the armed forces stationed at Miami, Fla., has gained nationwide recognition in fraternity circles through the publication of a manual of social actions and courtesies to be used for educational purposes by the young men of Phi Kappa fraternity.

Current Literature Club Holds Meeting

One of the most colorful affairs held during the Christmas holidays was the Current Literature club's luncheon in the home of Mrs. G. B. Watkins.

The glistening Christmas tree was the laynosure of all eyes. Gifts were exchanged among the members at this time. A turkey dinner with all the accessories was enjoyed by the following members, Mesdames: Jordan Barton, Wade Cotton, R. L. Conway, R. F. Eeiler, Louis Peters, G. B. Watkins, J. M. Menefee, Mm. Whitfield, and W. O. Webb.

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Mrs. Kate Lofton of Chase, La., announces the engagement of her youngest daughter, Orea, to Lieutenant Joseph E. Flaherty, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Flaherty of Bloomfield, Ky. A definite date has not been set for the wedding as the bride-elect is a student nurse at St. Francis sanitarium and Lieutenant Flaherty is with the armed forces.

Local Man Writes Phi Kappa Manual

Last month, the national executive office of Phi Kappa fraternity published a manual of social actions and courtesies to be used for educational purposes by the young men of Phi Kappa fraternity. This book gained immediate attention from the various chapters of Phi Kappa throughout the United States, and scored a brilliant success among the social circles affiliated with the Phi Kappa chapters.

The author is William Hamilton Armstrong, III, of this city who, before his enlistment in the armed forces, was one of the most popular and most active members of Monroe's younger set. He became a member of Phi Kappa fraternity in 1938. He has served in many capacities in fraternal activities, and in 1942 was elected to serve as grand master of the local Eta chapter of Phi Kappa. Being progressive minded, Bill injected many new ideas into the procedure of the chapter, which brought about a rapid growth and an increased interest in fraternities in the Twin Cities.

The first of the year Mr. Armstrong was elected chairman of the national Phi Kappa executive council, the highest possible office in the entire organization. When the 1943-1944 national program was being formulated in Jackson, Miss., last April, he was called upon to prepare a manual for guidance of social activities of the members and pledges of the organization. The pamphlet, according to the author, does not attempt to build the setting for an elaborate ceremony, but is a guide for situations that will arise in the everyday social affairs of the group.

The national committee accepted the manual unanimously, and had it printed for immediate distribution ambng the various Phi Kappa chapters. Mr. Armstrong has gained widespread recognition for his work, not only from the national office, but from the individual members and affiliates themselves. Mr. Armstrong is also a member of Pi Kappa Alpha, college fraternity. He is now stationed with the army air forces at Miami Beach, Fla.

Member Of National Nurses Council Coming

Miss Sara Jean Colville, a member of the nursing staff of Vanderbilt university hospital in Nashville, Tennessee, will visit Northeast Junior college on Tuesday and Wednesday, January 4 and 5.

Miss Colville represents the National Nursing Council for war service and the United States Cadet Nurse corps—the new government plan which, under the United States public health service, offers a free professional education to qualified students. Her visit is part of a nation-wide endeavor to recruit 65,000 student nurses this year for wartime replacements caused by acute needs of the army, navy and civilian health agencies, and also to interest college women in preparation for post-war careers.

The latest information on the United States cadet nurse corps will be presented by Miss Colville, who has recently conferred with Miss Lucile Petry, its director, and other national authorities. Recruits in the corps receive free tuition, free maintenance, distinctive gray and scarlet street uniforms, and a monthly stipend during their entire period of training in accredited schools of nursing. In return, they promise to remain active in essential military or civilian nursing for the duration of the war.

A native of McMinnville, Tennessee, Miss Colville is a graduate of Stephens Junior college at Columbia, Missouri, and of the Vanderbilt university school of nursing. She is now one of the head nurses on the staff of the university hospital.

As an undergraduate, she was active in dramatics, a member of the Beta Honorary Scholastic society, and treasurer of Zeta Mu Epsilon society.

She holds membership in the American Nurses' association, the American Red Cross, and the Tennessee State Nurses' association.

Nursing, Miss Colville believes, is war work with a future. The first women to go overseas with the armed forces were the army and navy nurses. Even before she graduates, the student nurse is now recognized as being in a service as essential as that undertaken by the WACs, the WAVES, the SPARS and the marines. Student nurses release graduate nurses for service overseas, or in military or naval hospitals at home.

As a post-war profession, nursing offers opportunities which have been greatly expanded by the war. Student nurses will be called upon to take part in post-war reconstruction programs abroad and at home. There is now, and there is every evidence that there will continue to be after the war, a great need for nurses—not only in hospitals and other institutions, but also in public health nursing, as teachers in schools of nursing, in government work with the United States public health service, the United States bureau of Indian affairs, the United States veterans administration, and in a number of specialized fields.

Miss Colville will discuss the opportunities for college women in nursing, and will hold conferences for students interested.

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Miss Mildred Benge Weds H. Taylor Young

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Benge of Sicily Island announce the marriage of their daughter, Mildred, to Petty Officer H Taylor Young at the Baptist church in Mooringsport. The father of the groom, Rev. Z. L. Young officiated at the double ring ceremony. The attendants were Miss Dorothy Benge, sister of the bride, maid of honor, Miss Janice Newland, bridesmaid. Mr. Johnnie Austin served as best man.

The bride wore a powder blue model with sequins and with black accessories. She wore an orchid corsage.

Miss Benge graduated from the Sicily Island High school and attended Meadows Draughon Business college in Shreveport. Petty Officer Young is a graduate of Mooringsport High school and attended L. P. I. at Ruston before entering the U. S. navy. He has been stationed at Norfolk, Virginia and has been aboard a U. S. navy war vessel in combat duty in the Atlantic. The couple left for New York where Mrs. Young will remain near where Petty Officer Young is stationed.

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Private James C. Moak, Jr., Gulfport Field, Miss., Spent the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moak.

WILL GIVE ADDRESS

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Miss Grace Hogge And Victor Johnson Marry

Of affectionate interest to a host of friends here and elsewhere was the marriage of Miss Grace Irene Hogge and Mr. Victor P. Johnson at the home of the groom's sister, Mrs. H. M. Williams, Jr., on Wednesday evening, December 22 at 7:30. Tall vases of gladiolas were placed on each side of the arch where the double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. P. M. Caraway of the West Monroe Methodist church.

The bride was attended by Mrs. W. D. McGee, Jr., who wore a lovely dress of navy blue with a corsage of pink carnations. The bride wore a distenctive costume of brown and aqua with a matching aqua feather hat. Her corsage was of bronze orchids.

The groom was attended by Lieutenant Edward Hayward.

Immediately following the ceremony, an informal reception was held and the guests invited to the dining room where coffee and individual wedding cakes were served. The bride's table was covered with a beautiful Italian cut-work cloth, centered with a plaque of yellow chrysanthemums. Tall, white candles burned in crystal candelabras at each side. Miss Sarah Pankey poured coffee and was assisted in serving by the bride's mother, Mrs. W. R. Hogge, and the groom's mother, Mrs. E. E. Johnson, and Mrs. Williams, Miss Dutch Martin, Mrs. Kenneth Shaver, Mrs. Ralph Dorman, and Miss Maude Brownlee.

The bride and groom stood to receive the congratulations of their friends before leaving on a short wedding trip.

Mrs. Johnson will join her husband in the next two weeks at Camp Stewart, Georgia, where he is stationed.

Mrs. Johnson, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Hogge, has been associated with the Interstate Natural Gas company for the past several years. Mr. Johnson, is a warrant officer in the United States army, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Johnson of West Monroe, La.

RECENT BRIDE

Mrs. Keith J. Messinger, who before her marriage to Staff Sergeant Messinger December 4, was Miss Norma McVay, daughter of Mrs. Ida M. McVay of this city. Sergeant Messinger, son of Mr and Mrs. Blake Messinger of Salt Lake City, Utah, is now stationed at Selman field.

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VAN BUREN LEADS LOUISIANA STATE TO ORANGE BOWL WIN

Tiger Ace Stars In 19-To-14 Victory Over Texas Aggies; Victors Keep Foe's Pass Offense Under Control

By Romney Wheeler

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Red-headed Steven Van Buren, the moving van from Baton Rouge, took 1944's Orange Bowl football championship right out of a Texas A. and M. showcase today and sent it home to Louisiana State university, freight paid, on the long end of a 19-14 score that thrilled 27,000 fans.

The Aggies, minus their great yearling star, Marion Flannagan, fought all the way, true to the promise of Coach Homer Norton, they "gave 'em Texas" with a shower of 35 passes. But L. S. U.'s Bernie Moore had set his defenses well, and the Bayou Tigers held off the Aggie rally with successive interceptions when it counted most.

Van Buren, the hard-running, 200-pound halfback, gained 172 of L. S. U.'s net 181 yards from scrimmage. In the first quarter, he put Louisiana State ahead when he broke away on a double-reverse to score standing up from 11 yards out. Later in the same period, he faded back to his 30 after Guard Carl Janneck had recovered an Aggie fumble, and whipped the ball to End Burton Goode for a second touchdown.

The Texans came back late in the period, Babe Hallmark finding little Red Burditt in the end zone with a 20-yard touchdown pass, and Bing Turner's placement for the extra point put them only five points behind.

L. S. U. still led, 12-7, at the half, after a scoreless second period, then went ahead, 19-7, early in the third quarter when Van Buren broke loose for a brilliant 63-yard gallop to another touchdown. Van Buren's placement on this touchdown was good.

A fumble by L. S. U.'s Joe Nagata on his own 25 gave the alert Aggies their chance for another touchdown midway in the third period. Butch Butchofsky recovered and three plays later Hallmark whipped a payoff strike to End Marion Settegast from the 19. Turner's kick again converted.

In the fourth period, the Aggies opened up with everything in the ammunition locker, but Hallmark and Pitching Earl Beesley couldn't make their passes click for the final yardage. Gene Knight intercepted once and Diego Pardo once to stop late thrusts by A. and M.

The Texans' dressing room was quiet after the game.

"We have no alibi whatsoever," said Norton. "We missed Flanagan, naturally. He was a key offensive man, but that's no alibi. L. S. U. played a fine game, and Van Buren is tops."

Players and well-wishers turned L. S. U.'s dressing room into a yelling melee.

"To be conservative," said Bernie Moore, "I'm the happiest man in the world. My boys played their best game today, and Steve Van Buren was a standout. But he had plenty of help."

Today's victory cancelled out an earlier setback in the regular season, when Texas A. and M. bested L. S. U., 28-13.

Texas A. and M.	Pos.	L. S. U.
Geer	LE	Webb
Bryant	LT	Hartley
Turley	LG	Trapani
R. Wright	C	C. Schroll
Tassos	RG	Lewis
Moncrief	RT	Tullos
Settegast	RE	Goode
Butchofsky	QB	Griffith
Hallmark	LH	Van Buren
Burditt	RH	Nagata
Turner	FB	B. Schroll

Score by quarters:

Texas A. and M.	7	0	7	0—14
Louisiana State	12	0	7	0—19

Texas A. and M. scoring: Touchdowns, Burditt, Settegast. Points after touchdowns, Turner 2 (placements).

Louisiana State scoring: Touchdowns, Van Buren 2, Goode. Points after touchdown, Van Buren (placement).

Texas A. and M. substitutions: Ends, Darnell, McCurry, Gibson, Wiley, C. Wright. Tackles, Eberle. Guards, Brown, Overly, Hohn. Centers, Gary. Backs, Bestley, Deere, McAllister, Muehlhause.

Louisiana State substitutions: Ends, Waler, McClelland, Casanova. Tackles, Miller, Bernhard. Guards, Janneck, Polozola, Reeder, Weimar. Centers, Claunch. Backs, Barney, G. Knight, Corgan, Pardo.

STATISTICS

	Texas A. & M.	L. S. U.
First downs	7	7
Yards gained rushing (net)	minus 15	181
Forward passes attempted	32	10
Forward passes completed	14	4
Yards by forward passing	199	100
Forward passes intercepted by	0	5
Yards gained, run-back of intercepted passes	0	103
Punting average (from scrimmage)	35	41
Total yards, all kicks returned	45	104
Opponents fumbles recovered	3	2
Yards lost by penalties	35	75

LONGHORNS TIE RANDOLPH FIELD

Texans Fight Off Passes To Gain 7-To-7 Deadlock In Cotton Bowl

DALLAS, Tex., Jan. 1.—(AP)—The nation's No. 1 offense and the season's top pass defense fought to a muddy 7-7 stalemate today in the eighth annual Cotton Bowl, Texas staving off repeated Randolph field drives that carried deep into Longhorn territory by timely interceptions.

The great Glenn Dobbs had the Longhorns reeling in the last half with his passing, running and punting but always there was an orange-shirted Texan bobbing up just when winning pay dirt neared to take a Dobbs pitch.

A crowd of 15,000—less than half the number that bought tickets—huddled under raincoats and umbrellas to see the first time game in the history of the bowl and to marvel at the one-man show put on by Dobbs, the All-American. Dobbs gave Randolph field a lead in the first period when he passed to Tex Aulds for 15 yards and a touchdown. Walter West kicked the extra point.

Texas came back to tie the score in the second quarter also on a pass play by Ralph Ellsworth, who climbed out of a sick bed to play 60 minutes of football, doing the honors.

It was a fumble by Dobbs that set up the play. The teams had settled into a punting duel sparring for an opening on the slippery field. Randolph had the ball and Dobbs started over tackle for what looked like a good gain when the ball squirted out of his hands. Phil Bolin, Texas guard, pounced on the pigskin on the 42-yard line. J. R. Calahan hit left guard for two, and off-side penalty moved to the Randolph 35, then Ellsworth pitched a high one that George McCall, speedy wingman, took three yards from the goal line. He stepped across, Calahan added the point and that was the ball game so far as scoring was concerned.

The rest of the struggle found Randolph field stabbing at the Texas goal line with the Longhorns able to do little offensively because of the great punting by Dobbs that had them backed deep in their territory most of the time.

Randolph field led in the statistics with seven downs to three and 150 yards rushing and passing to 110 for the Longhorns. But it was in punting that the Ramblers with Dobbs doing the kicking, held the greatest edge. Dobbs averaged 39.9 yards with a soggy ball, once getting off a 68-yard boot. Calahan averaged 33.1 for the Longhorns.

When the teams entered today's game, Randolph field boasted the best pass offense in the country for the season—both college and service football. Texas, on the other hand, not only had the nation's top pass defense but also held the all-time record for interceptions.

The Longhorns added materially to the latter mark today by intercepting three Randolph field throws—and all came at crucial moments. Ellsworth took one to run the ball from the Texas 5-yard line to the 17 and halt a dangerous Rambler surge. Twice Ralph Park, Texas wingback, gathered in Dobbs throws with Randolph field deep in Longhorn territory.

Dobbs carried the ball 16 times for a net of 26 yards and completed three of sixteen passes for 51 yards. His ball-carrying average suffered through the loss of 40 yards on passing attempts.

Texas ran its three pass interceptions back 45 yards—almost as much as Dobbs gained on his three completions.

The Longhorns got Randolph field in a hole in the opening minutes of the game by marching down to the 21, but a pass interception by West stopped the drive in a punting exchange. Calahan finally landed one on the Randolph field two but Walter Parker and West ran the ball out 16 yards and Dobbs got off a great kick that went outside on the Texas 29.

A fumble led to Randolph field's touchdown much the same as one gave Texas its scoring chance. A punt exchange had left Texas in possession of the ball on its 20 and on the first play Calahan fumbled with Parker recovering for the Ramblers on the 26. Dobbs whipped around left end for ten, then passed to Aulds standing almost even with the line of scrimmage. Aulds raced over for the score.

Randolph field tried a field goal in the second period when a drive was halted on the Texas 20. From the 26 Leiland Killian booted but the ball fell short.

Opening the second period Randolph field swept down to the Texas 38 the first time it got the ball on a 12-yard loss by Dobbs attempting to pass halted the drive.

A little later Dobbs caught Texas flat-footed with a 68-yard quick-kick and the Longhorns were in trouble most of the time from then on. Once the Ramblers got down to the Texas seven but the fighting Longhorns rose up to smother every attempt, getting Dobbs for a two-yard loss at right end on fourth down.

Dobbs was the game's greatest star but the running light was Calahan who smacked the Randolph line and whipped the ends for a net 64 yards. West was second high gainer with 38 yards.

Line stars were Joe Parker, Texas' All-American end, and Martin Ruby, huge Rambler tackle.

Russian brides used to wear seven gold-wire rings, joined with a single diamond, to indicate their love was good for a seven-day week.

S'WESTERN TEXAS SUN BOWL WINNER

EL PASO, Tex., Jan. 1.—(AP)—A final quarter forward pass gave Southwestern of Texas a 7 to 0 victory over the University of New Mexico in the Sun Bowl today.

The 32-yard toss, from Fullback R. L. Cooper, clicked after the underdog New Mexico Lobos had beaten back the highly touted ground game of Southwestern's Pirates through three quarters and eight minutes of the final period.

The Pirates took the ball at the start of the fourth quarter on the 13. A pass from R. W. MacGruder to Cooper made 27 and the two backs hit the line for a first down. MacGruder broke loose for 22 yards to the New Mexico 19.

Here New Mexico held and punted to the 46. Cooper passed to Hollon, Pirate end, for a first and then to MacGruder for the winning tally.

The Lobos threatened only twice, in the second and third periods, but could not get beyond the Southwestern 16.

The game started under cloudy skies, but the sun broke through in the second half and playing conditions were nearly ideal.

Thirteen per cent of Iceland's area is covered by snowfields and glaciers.

S. L. I. DEFEATS AGGIES, 24 TO 7

Strong Southwestern Louisiana Offense Proves Too Much For Bollweevils

HOUSTON, Tex., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Southwestern Louisiana Institute's powerhouse offensive, clicking smartly through the air and on the ground in rain and mud, blasted Arkansas A. and M., 24 to 7, today before 12,000 spectators to inaugurate the Oil Bowl.

Working behind a huge, fast-moving line, a medley of former Rice institute scatbacks plus the great Alvin Dark, former Louisiana State star, outclassed the slower though determined Bollweevils throughout the game.

Dark accounted for one S. L. I. tally, passed for another and converted for three points after touchdowns.

The Lafayette, La., marine trainee crew struck in the first quarter with Dark kicking a field goal from the seven-yard line. After a kick exchange S. L. I. started rolling from the Aggie 40. Fullback Vincent Buckley of Rice and Dark pounded the line for a first down on the 27.

On a reverse Bob Perkins of Rice ploughed to the 10, S. L. I. forfeited 15 yards for intentionally grounding a pass, Dark skipped back to the 17 and then passed over the goal to end Moe Richmond of Louisiana State. Dark converted and S. L. I. led, 10 to 0.

In the third the Bollweevils intercepted a S. L. I. pass at midfield and started rolling for their only touchdown. Hefty Charles Steed of Arkansas Tech knifed through guard to the 45, and then Charles Gray of Tech lofted a pass to End Grady Martin of Southern Methodist on the 35.

Steed plunged to the 29. Gray then spiraled a pass to Bill Cromer who snatched the ball on the five and ran untouched for a touchdown. Wayne Marshall of Arkansas university converted.

S. L. I. retorted quickly with another score. Forced back to its 15, A. and M. kicked to Dark who romped back from midfield to the Aggie 34. Bob Pillow of Mississippi State on two tries ground to the 21. Dark waltzed to the eight. Pillow cracked guard to the three and then smacked across for the score. Dark converted to make the score read: S. L. I. 17, Aggies 7.

In the final minutes of play Dark scooped up a Bollweevil kick at midfield and romped back to the A. and M. 24. Vincent Buckley of Rice blasted to the 12 and on the next play Dark weaved through a maze of tacklers to score standing up. Dark converted and the game ended, S. L. I. 24, Aggies 7.

The lineup:

S. L. I.	Pos.	Ark. A. & M.
Williams	LE	Halladay
Armstrong	LT	Dean
Magee	LG	Allen
Reininger	C	Beames
Humble	RG	Rogers
Heard	RT	Lively
Martin	RE	Richmond
Sultis	QB	Houck
Perkins	LH	Gray
Dark	RH	Marshall
Buckley	FB	Steed

Score by quarters:

S. L. I.	3	7	7	7—24
Ark. A. and M.	0	0	7	0— 7

S. L. I. scoring: Touchdowns, Richmond, Pillow, Dark. Field goal, Dark (placement). Points after touchdown, Dark (3).

Arkansas A. and M. scoring: Touchdown, Cromer. Points after touchdown, Marshall.

Substitutions:

S. L. I.—ends, Porter, Richmond, Wachs, Liflin, Owens, Randell, Fortier; tackles, Lennox, Brockman; guards, Andrews, Cox, Klune; center, Skelton, Reininger, Guy; backs, Perkins, Buckley, Kleininger, Willard, Tinsley.

Ark. A. and M.—tackles, McAffitty, Curfman; guards, R. Rogers, Allen; backs, Cromer, Ferrell, Wray.

JUBILANT TECHMEN PRAISE TULSA, SAY THEY'RE LUCKY TEAM

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1.—(AP)—The Georgia Tech dressing room following the Rambling Wrecks 20-18 victory over Tulsa resembled a combination New Year-Christmas party with Ed Scharfschwerdt playing Santa Claus.

The 187-pound fullback plunged over the goal line in the last quarter for the winning touchdown and became the hero of his teammates.

The whole squad from Coach Bill Alexander down to the water boy were unstinting in their praise of the Tulsa team and all said they were glad when the final whistle blew.

"I'm a happy guy and I don't mean maybe," Scharfschwerdt said as his teammates, hugged, patted and generally mauled him in the dressing room.

Coach Alexander said he thought Tech was mighty lucky to defeat Tulsa's Golden Tornado, which he compared with the Nav yand other mighty teams which Tech met during the regular season.

"Tulsa was splendidly coached," Alexander said. "It's mighty tough for a team with such courage to lose a game like that. It happens often though and goes to prove how important is that point after touchdown."

Assistant Coach Bob Dodd made no effort to conceal his belief that the game was over.

"It was the darndest game ever," Dodd said, clutching the winning football. "I nearly died in those last three minutes when Tulsa had the ball. I'm so darned happy I don't know what to say."

Eddie Prokop, 190-pound halfback who did a good deal of Tech's ground gaining, was a very tired young man in a sailor suit after the game. All he would say was "I'm glad it'sover."

Regarding next year's plans for Tech, Coach Alexander said the Rambling Wreck would play football regardless of the quality of the material available and that they would play any team willing to meet them which they could reach within 48 hours.

It was an unhappy delegation of Tulsa football players and personnel that trudged wearily off the field after game.

Hopes of a victory had seemed a reality all during the game and this collapsed only in the last minutes of play. Disillusion and tightened jaws prevailed over the Tulsa dressing room. Few words were spoken except for the sentiments expressed by coaches and managers to the boys for the excellent showing they made during the game.

Coach Henry Frnka of Tulsa said later that his players did everything that he had expected of them and that "I'm very proud."

"It wa sthe toughest game I lost in 18 years of coaching," Frnka said, "although I know Tech deserves plenty of praise and the victory, too. I'm glad we were able to give the Sugar Bowl people two good games." Tulsa lost to Tennessee, 14-7, in the 1943 Sugar Bowl.

Frank Leahy, coach at Notre Dame, congratulated Alexander on Tech's victory, saying: "It was the greatest come-back I have ever seen. It was magnificent."

THAT'S CLOSE

Art Passarella, first major league umpire inducted, sews on corporal's chevrons as technician at Camp Grant, Ill.

EAST, WEST BATTLE TO 13-13 DEADLOCK ON MUDDY GRIDIRON

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Paced by three college freshman backfield stars who stole the show from their older teammates, East and West battled to a 13 to 13 tie on a rain drenched field today in the 19th annual charity football game played before a capacity crowd of nearly 60,000 fans.

It was Herman Wedemeyer, 19-year-old first year luminary of St. Mary's college for the West. Eastern laurels in the backfield went to Bob Hoernschemeyer, of the University of Indiana, and Dean Sensanbaugher of Ohio State, both 18 years old and with but one season of college varsity ball to their credit.

The game was one of the best played in the long series, and under a steady downpour in the second half that turned much of the field to mud.

The Eastern forces, under Coaches Andy Kerr of Colgate and George Hauser of Minnesota, scored first. A brilliant 56-yard run by Sensanbaugher to the West's 16-yard line paved the way. Wayne Williams, right half, went over for the touchdown from the 6-inch line, culminating a 72-yard march. John Tavener, tackle from Indiana, booted the extra tally from placement to give his team a 7 to 0 lead.

The West, coached by Orin Hollingbery of Washington State and L. T. (Buck) Shaw, University of Santa Clara, tied the count near the end of the opening quarter with Hawaii-born Wedemeyer drawing the plaudits of the crowd.

The West put the ball into play on the East's 35-yard line. Wedemeyer, replacing Jimmy Nelson of the March field Fourth air force at left half, dashed around end for 13 yards. He followed with one-yard gains on two more efforts and then passed five yards across the scrimmage line to Bob Defruiter, right halfback from the Fourth air force. Defruiter, former Nebraska star who played in the Rose Bowl two years ago, raced the remaining 15 yards for the touchdown. Hank Norberg, end from the Fourth air force, placekicked the extra point to knot the count at 7-7.

Each side scored again in the third period as rain began to fall. Again it was the East that first broke the deadlock with Hoerschemeyer, the 187-pound freshman who made the headlines in the Midwest this season, a main cog in the rally.

With the ball on his team's 31-yard marker, he hit the line for 14 yards, then whipped a pass to his Indiana teammate, Pete Pihos, good for 11 yards and another first down.

The other 18-year-old, Sensanbaugher, figured in a 19-yard dash; Hoernschemeyer knocked off 12 yards and finally the ball was 15 yards from goal.

Hoernschemeyer passed to Pihos who caught the ball over the line. Tavener's attempted conversion failed.

The West took the kickoff and put the ball into play on its 41-yard line. Wedemeyer lost six yards on a pass attempt but he made the next one click. The play started on the 35-yard stripe. Hustling Herman tossed the ball thirty yards to Dick Renfro, quarterback from Washington State college, and the latter raced 35 yards for the score. The wet ball slithered off Norberg's foot on the attempted conversion but the score was tied, 13-13.

The Eastern team definitely was the superior and was on the offense most of the time. The Easterners missed a chance to clinch the game early in the fourth period after a 65-yard advance to the West's 15. Sensanbaugher highlighted the drive with a 41 yard run.

MAXIM HOLDS GOOD

MIAMI, Fla., Jan. 1.—(AP)—The maxim, "it never rains on an Orange Bowl game," held good again today as a bright sun beat down on a crowd of 27,000 spectators who watched L. S. U. upset Texas A. and M., 19 to 14.

It was shirt-sleeve weather, but a slight crispness made it comfortable.

Despite dire predictions as to the fate of automobile dealers when manufacture of civilian automobiles ceased in 1942, authoritative estimates reveal that 83 out of every 100 dealers in business on Dec. 1, 1941, still have their doors open.

TITLE MATCH ON WRESTLING CARD

Parker Seeks To Take Crown From Steele In Bout At Arena Thursday

Jack "Stinger" Steele, claimant to the world's light heavyweight wrestling championship, returns to Monroe Thursday night for a championship scrap with Allen "Sailor" Parker at the Monroe Wrestling arena, Promoter Gus Kallio announced last night.

The card also includes Sergeant "Barefoot" Ballard and Mike "Red" Ryan, the latter a newcomer to this section, who will meet in the semi-final event which will open the show at 8:30 o'clock.

Last week there was no mat performance here and Promoter Kallio had said last Monday that a show this week was doubtful, but last night he announced the arrangement of the championship card "just to start the new year off right."

Parker, the ex-sailor from Nashville, Tenn., has been chasing the light-heavy crown for quite a while. Several times it has been almost within his grasp but he has never been quite able to catch on. Rex Mobley and Jack Curtis, former owners of the belt, offered the stocky Tennessean shots at the belt and the closest he came to owning any part of the coveted jewelry was in a scrap with Curtis when the belt was retained by the commissioner until after a rematch following a title scrap in which both the champ and challenger had been knocked out outside the ring and both counted out.

The villainous Parker, always the favorite in scraps with Steele, the super-villain, has had title matches with Steele in which the champ has barely managed to hold on and emerge victorious. Parker, however, holds a win over the Stinger in a non-title scramble since the latter won the crown.

Mike Ryan, an Irish brawler from Kansas City, is making his debut before local fans in the match with Ballard, whose real name is Otis Allen of Knoxville, Tenn. Allen, who wrestled barefooted, chose "Barefoot" Ballard as his ring name several years ago and added the "Sergeant" after reaching that rank in the army. He is stationed at a Mississippi ordnance plant.

Ryan is an ex-professional boxer, Kallio declared, and once fought a four-round battle with "Two-Ton" Tony Galento, an aspirant for the world's heavyweight boxing championship. Ryan has quite a colorful ring career both as boxer and wrestler, Kallio said.

It was also announced last night that admission prices would be increased, and Promoter Kallio said the decision to boost prices necessary to keep the wrestlers coming here in the face of bids for their services to fill the dwindling ranks of wrestlers appearing in larger cities.

The new price list, taxes paid, will be 65 cents, general admission; 85 cents, ringside; 45 cents, colored section, and 30 cents for students. The prices on ringside and children's seats were not advanced and Promoter Kallio said he would attempt to meet the increased guarantee without other boosts although he said advances on these seats might be considered.

ON THE TRAIL
WITH BILL GEAGAN

To many who follow the outdoor trails the baying of hounds back in the snow-mantled hills is sweet music.

While the majority of hound fanciers hunt the fox and the rabbits, there are many who prefer pursuing the raccoon, bobcat, mountain lion or bear. But regardless of the quarry, the sport provides action and thrills.

Every hunter, it seems, has his favorite breed or cross breed of hound. He naturally selects the breed that is best for trailing the particular animal he seeks. Some own Redbones others have the old fashioned long-eared American Black and Tans, Blueticks, Buckfields, Walkers and a variety of cross-breeds.

Walker Is Tops

Our personal choice is the Walker. This dog is big, handsome, intelligent, has a fine voice and nose and is endowed with flaming courage. And, if taught when a pup, he can be trained to hunt any species of wild animal.

The Walker makes an excellent rabbit hound. We've owned some wonders and also have had others of the same breed that would run bobcats, lynx and bears equally well. Of course there are other breeds that will do the same. But, every man to his own choice.

Beagle For Rabbits

Although the Beagle hasn't the musical voice of larger hounds, he really is tops when it comes to rabbit hunting. We've enjoyed great sport with Beagles in the cottontail covers, but the most thrilling days were spent in country where the big slab-footed Snowshoes or Varying Hares were numerous. These animals are brown in summer but turn pure white in winter.

Getting back to the Walker, we believe that the crossing of a Walker with a Beagle would produce the perfect rabbit hound. Such a hound would be of medium size, would have all the qualities of both breeds with a greatly improved voice that means so much to the hunters.

Sockeye Taken East

Maine has reached out west in an effort to improve its fishing. As an experiment to obtain a salmon that will thrive in Maine lakes not suitable to the native landlocked variety, the Department of Inland Fisheries and Game has obtained 200,000 Sockeye salmon eggs for the Auburn hatchery.

Gerry Wade, general superintendent of hatcheries, says the Sockeye eggs are from salmon that had become landlocked in Oregon lakes.

These fish will replace the annual hatch from Chinook eggs which in past years had been used for this purpose but which now are not available.

The Sockeye, also known as the Blueback and Red Salmon, smashes either feathered lure or bait, is a vicious fighter and an excellent food fish. Wade believes these fish will reach a weight of between three and five pounds.

TECH RALLY DEFEATS TULSA, 20-18, IN ORLEANS THRILLER

Georgians Come From Behind In Sugar Bowl After Trailing by 7-To-18 Count

By Max Patrick

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1.—(AP)—Georgia Tech's Ramblin' Wreck discarded its famed razzle-dazzle offensive long enough to smash to a 20 to 18, last-quarter victory over Tulsa's classy Golden Hurricane here today before 69,000 fans in the most sensational game in Sugar Bowl history.

Georgia Tech had to travel 79 yards for the game's winning touchdown. With the final quarter half gone, Fullback Ed Scharfschwerdt went over from the one-foot line. The great Eddie Prokop, Tech tailback, and Scharfschwerdt alternated in ripping the Tulsa tackles in the drive. Prokop's 15-yard slash off tackle was the longest trip of the drive.

The hustling Tulsa Hurricanes struck with lightning fury for a touchdown in the first five minutes of play, going 86 yards on the ground and in the air for their first score.

Clyde Leforce, 165-pound triple-threater, hit Wingback Ed Shedlosky with a perfect screen pass on the Georgia Tech 15-yard line and Shedlosky had blockers to spare when he crossed the Tech goal line.

Leforce's try for point from placement was wide, but Tulsa strengthened its bid for a victory when little Jimmy Ford, 145-pound scatback from Fort Worth, Tex., chased 76 yards for a touchdown on the first play of the second quarter. Ford skirted Tech's left end, hugged the sideline and outran the Tech secondary. It was the longest run in Sugar Bowl history.

Leforce again missed the try for point and Georgia Tech got back in the game by driving 71 yards to score with Fullback Frank Broyles smashing across from the one-foot line. Broyles' 26-yard pass to End Walter Kilzer, and Prokop's tackle smashes featured the drive. Prokop kicked the point from placement to make the score Georgia Tech 7, Tulsa 12.

Ford's 68-yard punt that rolled dead on the Tech 6-yard line and a fumble by Broyles set up Tulsa's second touchdown of the second quarter just before the half ended. A five-yard penalty against Tulsa moved the Yellow Jackets up to their 11-yard line, but Broyles fumbled the pass from center on the next play and and Barney White recovered for the Hurricanes on the Tech's 6-yard stripe. Leforce skirted right end to score Tulsa's third and final touchdown of the game.

Leforce missed his third try for extra point and with the wide kicks went Tulsa's chances of victory.

Prokop found his passing range in the third quarter long enough to plant a touchdown pitch in the arms of Tinsley. Parked on the Tulsa 47-yard line, Prokop passed to Tinsley on the 30 and the lanky Tech end outran the Hurricane backs to score standing up. Urokop missed the kick for extra point, his only miscue of the afternoon.

A strong wind and a 50-degree temperature handicapped the passing games of both teams. Georgia Tech completed four out of 16 and Tulsa 6 out of 15 attempted passes.

Georgia Tech had a big advantage in statistics, piling up 455 yards passing and running to 298 for Tulsa and leading in first downs 25 to 8.

John Steber, All-American guard and Walter Kilzer were outstanding in an alert Georgia Tech line, while Center Felto Prewitt and Carl Buda, guard, were best of the Tulsa linemen.

The Wreckers and Hurricanes combined score of 38 points was the greatest total in the ten years of the Sugar Bowl.

The 19 points scored in the second quarter also set a new Sugar Bowl record for one quarter point-making.

The lineups:

Georgia Tech	Pos.	Tulsa
Tinsley	LE	Herriman
Chambers	LT	Burgeis
Steber	LG	E. Jones
Cummings	C	Prewitt
Hoover	RG	Buda
Phillips	RT	Stanley
Kilzer	RE	Goodnight
Faulkner	QB	Taylor (C)
Prokop	LH	Leforce
Logan	RH	Shedlosky
Broyles	FB	Wilson

Tulsa	6	12	0	0—18
Georgia Tech	0	7	6	7—20

Tulsa scoring: Touchdown, Shedlosky, Ford, Leforce.

Georgia Tech scoring: Touchdown, Broyles, Tinsley, Scharfschwerdt.

Point after touchdown—Pokop 2.

Substitutions:

Tulsa—Ends, Lunn, Stegman, White; tackles, Butterworth, Leagreca, Gray; guards, D. Jones, Minarik, backs, Wade, B. Smith, A. Smith, Kowolski, Ford, Walker.

Georgia Tech—Ends, Dorough, Bourne; tackles, Mills; guards, Beall, Furchgott; backs, Gaston, Scharfschwerdt, Wakefield.

STATISTICS

	Tulsa	Georgia Tech
First downs	8	25
Yards gained rushing (net)	211	372
Forward passes attempted	15	16
Forward passes completed	6	4
Yards by forward passing	87	83
Forward passes intercepted by	1	1
Yards gained run-back of intercepted passes	18	14
Punting average (from scrimmage)	34	38
Total yards, all kicks returned	56	103
Opponent fumbles recovered	3	1
Yards lost by penalties	50	60

POP'S PICK COMES FROM BEHIND TO TAKE FEATURE

NEW ORLEANS, Jan 1.—(AP)—Pop's Pick, B. F. Whitaker's colt, came from behind in a surprising upset here today to win the $5,000 Sugar Bowl handicap at the Fair Grounds and pay $17 for $2.

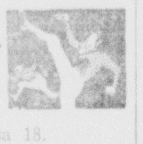
Pop's Pick was cleverly ridden by Jockey Lester Balaski and defeated a fine field in the mile and sixteenth event under favorable weather conditions.

The winning colt passed Dock stable's Go-Gino in the stretch and was safely home when Dock stable's other entry, Sugar Ration, came from far back to finish second. Go-Gino came in third.

Bushwhacker was fourth and behind came Reaping Glory, Samborombon, Marriage, Chipamink and Havaheart.

Reaping Glory, favorite in the race, lunged in the starting stall and mashed Jockey Givens' leg against a side wall, but the jockey remounted, limping, and went through with the race.

Football Scores



Georgia Tech 20; Tulsa 18.
Louisiana State 14; Texas A. and M. 14.
Texas 7; Randolph field 7.
Southern California 29; Washington 0.
Southwestern Louisiana 24; Arkansas A. and M. 7.
Southwestern of Texas 7; New Mexico 0.
Eastern All-Stars 13; Western All-Stars 13.

TROJANS DEFEAT WASHINGTON, 29-0

Southern Cal Scores Upset To Keep Rose Bowl Record Unblemished

PASADENA, Calif., Jan. 1.—(AP)—Surprising even their staunchest adherents, the Southern California Trojans today passed the University of Washington dizzy and won their seventh Rose Bowl football game in as many tries, 29 to 0.

A despised short ender at 2 1/2 to 1 odds, Southern California came up with a brilliant passing game that just couldn't miss and its rugged line, contributing its peak performance, repeatedly stacked Washington's powerhouse runner, Sam Robinson. The official attendance was 68,000.

The Trojans scored all four touchdowns on passes and picked up two points on an automatic safety in the final period, as they blocked a fourth down punt by the Washington quarterback, Gerry Austin, the ball rolling into the end zone.

Washington had completed its 1943 season undefeated and one of its conquests was the strong March field army team by a 27-to-7 score. The same army team had vanquished the Trojans 35 to 0. This, however, was another day and an inspired Southern California eleven that did everything right. Whereas it had made 50 fumbles and kicked away many scoring chances during its regular schedule, it played flawlessly against the Huskies, who had a 12 pounds to the man edge in weights.

Washington's weight probably was a big advantage because the Trojans put their superior speed and passing skill to the utmost use and outdodged the slower footed pass defenders from the north on two occasions for touchdowns.

Coach Jeff Cravath of Southern California sent Jim Hardy in at quarterback for Ainslie Bell in the second period and the men of Troy immediately passed and ran their way 72 yards for a touchdown. The payoff was an 11-yard toss, Hardy to Half Back George Callanan, who feinted the Washington center, Gordon Bell, off his feet, and ran unmolested across the goal.

Whatever chance Washington may have had was dissipated in the third quarter as the Trojans shot quick opening plays off their "T" formation and passed their way to two more touchdowns. Hardy first tossed a lazy floater into the end zone from the Washington 12 and George Callanan, probably the fleetest back on the field, took it easily as Austin slipped in trying to get at the ball.

Then, a few minutes later, after Al Akins' fumble had been recovered by S. C. on the Huskies' 31, Hardy fired a perfect strike into the far reaches of the end zone and End Gordon Gray took it over his shoulder, just a step inside the boundary of the field.

With a 20-point margin, the Trojans kept pouring it on, scoring another touchdown in the final period as Bell shot a perfect pass to Gordon Gray for 18 yards, and rushed the Washington line off its feet to block Austin's punt for the final two points.

The Trojans outgained Washington on the ground, 141 yards to 132, completed nine of the 15 passes they tried for 112 yards and made eight first downs to Huskies' seven.

Akins was the big threat for the invaders. He frequently gained when the S. C. line appeared to have him trapped. His average was 5.67 yards in nine tries.

The lineups:

Sou. California	Pos.	Washington
Gordon Gray	LE	Hagen
Ferraro	LT	Christensen
Jamison	LG	Ward
Bill Gray	C	Berlin
Verry	RG	Saksa
Ossowski	RT	Deeks
J. Callanan	RE	Tracy
Bell	QB	Austin
Saenz	LH	Akins
G. Callanan	RH	Robinson
Whitehead	FB	Kramer

Score by quarters:

Southern California	0	7	13	9—29
Washington	0	0	0	0— 0

Southern California scoring: Touchdown—George Callanan (2), Gordon Gray (2); point after touchdown—Jamison (2); automatic safety—Austin (Washington).

Allied armies wore out 2,000 tires daily during the North African campaign.

ARMY BEATS NAVY IN 'ARAB BOWL'

Gridiron-Hungry G. I.'s And Generals Cheer Contest At Oran

By Sergeant James Harrigan
(Sports Editor, Stars and Stripes)

ORAN, Jan. 1.—Breaking a one-touchdown deadlock in the last ten seconds of play, the Army eleven today defeated the Navy 10 to 7 before 15,000 grid-hungry generals and G. I.'s in the first "Arab Bowl" game in football history.

Caids and gum-chewing privates sat side by side in the football double header which saw Casablanca's ordnance "Rab Chasers" become the regular North African league champs by defeating the Oran "Termites," 7-6.

To make sure the assembled generals, admirals, French officials, soldiers, WACs and sailors got their money's worth, Promoter Corporal Henry (Zeke) Bonura, the former big league ball player who is now in special services, threw in a camel and a burro race for WACs and Red Cross girls and an Arab free-for-all fight on the sports program, which was broadcast to the wounded in nearby hospitals.

San Philipe stadium was filled to overflowing for the game and G. I.'s were squatting on the tops of nearby houses trying to watch the play.

Privates sat next to generals, who shouted just as loud as the lowest G. I., while Arab chieftains, some of whom came as far as 300 miles, watched the "man Americans" with puzzled frowns, while they huddled in their colorful red, white and blue costumes.

Both games were touch football because of the lack of equipment.

In the Army-Navy game, the Sailors drew first blood in the opening period when Robert "Bud" James, Navy guard from Shreveport, La., blocked an army punt and recovered on the Soldier two-yard line. Fullback Dave Fleming, former West Virginia gridder from Charleston, W. Va., tossed a short pass to Robert Hitchcock, left end from Taneytown, Md., a former Washington college player, for the touchdown.

Quarterback Aram Ehramjian, who cavorted on Brooklyn, N. Y., gridirons of Erasmus High school, kicked the extra point.

The Soldiers tied it up in the second quarter when Corporal Jack "Shoeless" McKenna, left halfback from Long Beach, Calif., passed 20 yards to Bill Camps, left end from Waterloo, Ia., and Quarterback John De Mello of Oakland, Calif., kicked the extra point.

With time left for just three plays in the final period, Army back Eddie Herbert of New Orleans, intercepted a pass on the Navy 20 as the WACs cheered and the admirals groaned. De Mello then kicked the winning field goal.

In the Casablanca-Oran game, Sergeant John MacDonnald, former Arkansas State Teachers player from Tampa, Fla., kicked the winning point after Sergeant Howard Willis, Quarterback ex-Richmond academy player from Augusta, Ga., skirted left end for 20 yards and a touchdown.

Oran's only score in the second quarter when Quarterback John Cerjewski of Whiting, Ind., passed 30 yards to Ben Leach of Palisades, N. J. The try for the extra point failed.

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Cook's	4/5 Pt.	2.20
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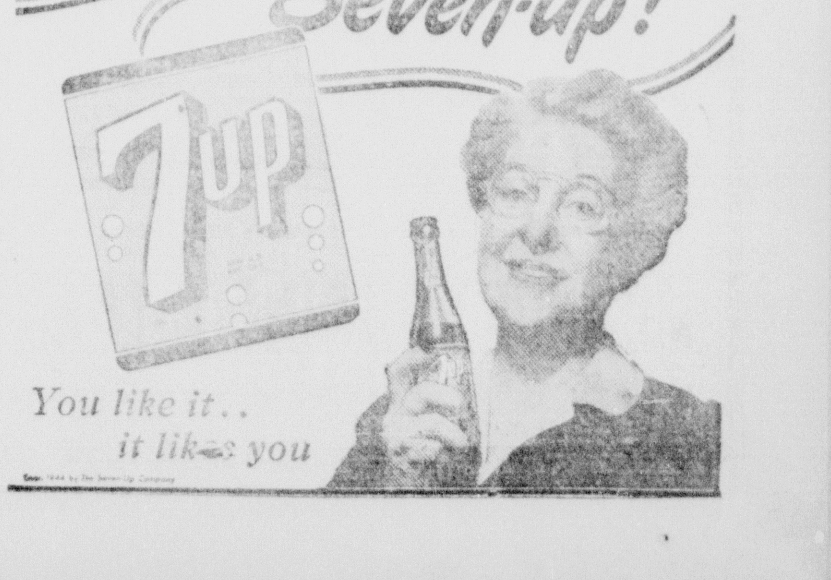
Garrett's	4/5 Qt.	3.71
Cook's	4/5 Pt.	2.20
VERMOUTHS:		
Roma—Dry (French type)	4/5 Qt.	1.82
Martini Rossi (sweet)	4/5 Qt.	3.37
LIQUEURS:		
Van Der Hum Liqueur	4/5 Qt.	5.95
Van Der Hum Liqueur	4/5 Pt.	3.05
Heublein's Dry Martini Cocktail	4/5 Qt.	3.63
Bol's Anisette	4/5 Qt.	6.43
DeKuyper Creme de Menthe	4/5 Qt.	3.35
DeKuyper Creme de Menthe	4/5 Pt.	1.79
Kahlua Coffee Liqueur	4/5 Qt.	6.35
RUMS:		
Mocamba, Cuban	4/5 Qt.	5.19
Ron Gudira, Cuban	4/5 Qt.	4.60
Ron Zorro, Virgin Islands	4/5 Qt.	4.20
Ron Merito, Puerto Rican	4/5 Qt.	3.74
Riondo, Puerto Rican	4/5 Qt.	3.74
Bacardi, Gold, Puerto Rican	4/5 Qt.	4.99
Myer's, Jamaica	4/5 Qt.	5.89
BRANDIES:		
Chevalier	4/5 Qt.	4.93
Coronet	4/5 Qt.	3.09
VODKA:		
Petrushka, Boaka	4/5 Qt.	4.05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struggle," near the moment when strength "in tremendous force" will be loosed both in Europe and in the far Pacific.

The secretary described the fighting to date as of a perimeter nature with the main masses of enemy troops yet to be contacted. Then he added:

"We must accept the casualties which are bound to come and forge steel from our grief. We must learn to expect setbacks which may seem more serious than anything we have thus far known, and still not falter on the road to eventual victory."

Looking into the peace-after-victory era, the president said:

"The United Nations are giving attention also to the different kind of struggle which must follow the military phase, the struggle against disease, malnutrition, unemployment, and many other forms of economic and social distress.

"To make all of us secure against future aggression and to open the way for enhanced well-being of nations and individuals everywhere, we must maintain in the peace to come the mutually beneficial cooperation we have achieved in war.

"On the threshold of the new year, as we look toward the tremendous tasks ahead, let us pledge ourselves that this cooperation shall continue both for winning the final victory on the battlefield and for establishing an international organization of all peace-loving nations to maintain peace and security in generations to come."

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LEAK CAUSES FIRE

A leaking gasoline line was responsible for a small fire yesterday afternoon in an automobile owned by J. L. Redman of Monroe, according to Monroe firemen who were summoned to extinguish the blaze. The fire occurred at 5 o'clock at the intersection of North Fourth and Washington streets.

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U. S. DESTROYER

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lost and a coastal vessel damaged. Secretary of the Navy Knox recently mentioned the loss of that destroyer and the damage to the coastal vessel.

The commanding officers of both the Perkins and the APC-21 were reported to be among survivors. The Perkins' skipper is Commander Gerald Lyle Ketchum, of 1705 Olive street, Pine Bluff, Ark. The APC-21 was commanded by Lieutenant (junior grade) William N. Vlachos, 414 Park avenue, Swarthmore, Pa.

The Perkins was a 1,465-ton craft, 341 feet long, commissioned September 18, 1936. Her normal complement was 200. She was armed with five-inch guns and a battery of quadruple guns. The Perkins was one of the naval vessels built with funds provided under the national recovery act in 1933.

The coastal transport was a 230-ton vessel, about 100 feet long.

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GERMAN ECONOMY

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conquered territories and expanding further its economic base.

"Japan has failed to capitalize fully on its conquests since Pearl Harbor. Primarily the measure of Japan's war production is the capacity of its pre-Pearl Harbor industrial plant rather than the raw material resources of its recent conquests."

The drain of pouring munitions into Russia, Italy and Yugoslavia "stretched taut Germany's war economy" the report said, "and has made the Reich "extremely sensitive to every instance of industrial damage from British and American bombing." Deprived of economic initiative by the needs of the fighting front and the necessity of repairing bomb damage at home, Germany has been unable to carry out its planned and orderly exploitation of Europe's resources.

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NEGRO WOMAN HIT ON HEAD BY BRICK

Accused of knocking Rosa Lee Carter, negro, in the head with a brick, Karo West, negro, was arrested here last night by Police Officers H. J. McMurry and J. F. Kirby. West was charged with drawing and displaying a dangerous weapon and being drunk and disorderly.

The negro woman suffered a wound over the right eye which was treated at Conway Memorial hospital.

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Shoes may be repaired only once a year in Germany.

LICENSE PLATES TO BE SOLD ON POST NEXT WEEK

Military personnel who own cars and drive them on the post are again reminded that the Louisiana department of revenue will sell Louisiana license plates at the post theater at Selman field beginning Monday morning and continuing through Saturday at noon of next week.

A table will be set up in the theater for direct issuance of the licenses, which cost three dollars for each car, regardless of make, age, weight, or horsepower. Mr. John Humble, of the revenue department station in Monroe, will be on the field each day during the week to issue the one board plate the state is selling this year.

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LOADS OF BOMBS

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tors, escorted by American and Allied fighters. In aerial combat, the announcement added, 17 enemy aircraft were destroyed by the bombers and 11 by the escort. Twenty-nine of the American bombers and three fighters are missing from the raid.

The German communique in the Nazi version of yesterday's Allied aerial activity said only 19 planes, mostly American heavy bombers, were shot down during raids in which "the population suffered heavy casualties, particularly in some districts of Paris."

The Allied communique specifically listed the important cam ball-bearing factories at Ivry and Bois De Colombes and the air fields at Chateau Bernard, one-half mile south of Cognac, and at St. Jean D'Angely, 25 miles northwest of Cognac, as the Fortress and Liberator targets.

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4 CONVICTS STAB

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serving 10 years for car theft.

Returning to the prison tonight, five hours after the break, Womachka said during the ride in the prison station wagon commandeered by the prisoners, the convicts kept their knives pointed at the backs of the hostages.

Finally, near Bennett, Ia., 40 miles southeast of here, they drove into the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Krummell, who with their three small children and a guest, Harry Carl, of Davenport, Ia., were having a holiday dinner.

After forcing the Krummells and Carl to stand against a wall, the convicts donned clothing belonging to Krummell, cut the telephone wires and sped away in Carl's automobile. As they left, Womachka said they indicated they were heading for Davenport, about 35 miles east of Bennett.

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About 70 per cent of the new workers hired by industry can be trained on the job.

KIRKE L. SIMPSON

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were forecast by the Russians at Teheran cannot be doubted.

In effect the wide gap being cut through routed Nazi armies from Korosten to Kazatin must be a first product of joint Russian-Allied military undertakings at Teheran. Commitments exchanged there as to the scope, direction and timing of Anglo-American matching attacks in progress and to come from the south and west probably had much to do with developments in the Kiev bulge.

Without the solemn Allied pledges unquestionably given at Teheran fixing both the size of the west front invasion effort and the date of its launching, it is questionable that the Russians, even with their great asset of manpower superiority, would have dared risk the massing of reserves in the Kiev bulge that has made possible the great break-through that threatens extinction of a substantial part of the Nazi army in Russia, or at a minimum, Nazi retreat from all Russia.

Moscow knows what to expect of the Anglo-American armies in the west and south now and when to expect it. That knowledge justifies the risks of striking all-out for high stakes in the thundering drive to slash apart the German lines in Russia.

German reports that the Allied west front invasion drive is to be launched within the next two weeks are of no importance except that they clearly indicate the increasing tension in Germany. They reflect growing apprehension that Nazi armies in the west are to be locked in a death struggle with Anglo-American forces before it has been possible to stabilize the east front on a prepared and defensible short line.

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RUSSIANS SEIZE

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southwest of Belaya Tserkov and 60 miles southwest of Kiev. The Russian line in the southwestern section of the Kiev bulge now runs west from Volodarka through Pogrebische and Samgorodok. The latter town is 25 miles from the Bug river near Vinnitsa.

A Moscow dispatch from Eddy Gilmore, Associated Press correspondent, said it was obvious that Vatutin now was throwing his strongest force into the southwest toward Rumania in a rounded Berdichev, the one-time headthrust which already has all but surquarters of the retreating German commander, Field Marshal Fritz von Mannstein. Soviet spearheads are within 90 miles of Rumania.

The advance in this direction was the most rapid of all, with the German defenses crumbling so fast that the advancing Soviet troops were finding the German quarters still decorated with Christmas trees.

The dispatch added that the Nazis even were failing to demolish bridges, so hasty was their retreat over the rolling steppe ground which is frozen but has little snow to impede the rapid movement of Russian mechanized infantry and motorized artillery units supporting the tank spearheads.

OFFICERS WITHOUT HATRED ARE URGED

PLEASANT HILL, La., Jan. 1.—(AP)—James H. Davis, candidate for governor, was reported by his press representative in a campaign rally here today as asking for the election of officers of state "with no hatred in their hearts."

"Our war leaders tell us that this year of 1944 is the year of destiny for the United States and for liberty loving people of all the United Nations," Davis declared. "It is destined to be a year of great decisions history making events, and momentous undertakings."

"We people here in Louisiana must resolve that we shall continue to do our part on the home front to back up the attack on the battle fronts, and to give our military leaders the home front support that they require and expect.

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"We must resolve," Davis said, "to put an end to bitterness, strive and hatred. We must resolve to put our shoulders to the wheel and work together to help bring this war to be a successful conclusion, and we must continue to work together to solve the many economic problems that face us on the home front and prepare to build a greater state and a better place to live in for our returning service men and women.

"We cannot do this successfully if we are divided and fight among ourselves. We must resolve to elect to offices of trust in our state men who have no hatred in their hearts and whose records prove that they have the interests of the masses of the people at heart."

Davis' itinerary for Sunday includes talks at Melville, 11 a.m., Port Barre, 1 p.m., Forrestier Hall, Sixth ward Lafayette parish, 5 p.m., and Lafayette courthouse 7:30 p.m.

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CRAFT WARNING GIVEN

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1.—(AP)—The United States Weather bureau said that small craft warnings were indicated at 4:30 p.m. eastern war time today from Brownsville, Tex., to Morgan City, La., and extended the warnings at 7:30 p.m., east of Morgan City to St. Marks, Fla. The bureau said increasing winds reaching 25 to 30 miles per hour were indicated tonight and Sunday Brownsville to Morgan City and late tonight and Sunday, east of Morgan City to St. Marks.

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United States demands for castor oil have more than quadrupled since war began.

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STATEMENT OF THE

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Located at Monroe in the Parish of Ouachita, furnished to the State Bank Commissioner and Supervisor of Homestead and Building and Loan Associations as of the close of business on December 31, 1943.

Organized 1887

ASSETS

First Mortgage, with Vendor's Lien and Privilege, Direct Reduction Loans	$ 901,013.23	
Accrued Interest Receivable on First Mortgage Loans	92.21	$ 901,105.44
Loans Secured by Shares of this Association		4,700.00
Real Estate Owned		150,837.75
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank	29,200.00	
U. S. Government Obligations (including War Savings Bonds)	220,720.00	249,920.00
Cash on Hand and in Banks		108,663.11
Office Building		19,500.00
Furniture, Fixtures and Equipment		505.64
Other Assets		698.99
TOTAL ASSETS		$1,435,930.93

CAPITAL AND LIABILITIES

Optional Payment Shares	$ 36,536.35	
Full Paid Shares	1,060,874.66	$1,097,411.01
Mortgage Loan Shares, Monthly Reduction		6,812.34
Dividends Declared, Unpaid and Uncredited		16,521.59
Advance Payments by Borrowers for Taxes and Insurance		503.51
Other Liabilities		1,097.84
Income Collected in Advance		567.17
Reserve for Uncollected Interest		92.21
Contingent Loss Account	200,773.57	
Federal Insurance Reserve	20,921.34	221,694.91
Undivided Profits		91,230.35
TOTAL LIABILITIES		$1,435,930.93

STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF OUACHITA

I, W. R. McWilliams, Secretary of the above named Association, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
W. R. McWILLIAMS, Secretary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31st day of December, 1943.
(Seal) MRS. LOUISE GUERRIERO GILLILAND,
Notary Public

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Oil And Gas News

BATON ROUGE, La., Jan. 1.—(AP)—The minerals division of the state conservation department announced today in its weekly oil report the completion of four wells with initial daily production totaling 304.82 barrels, and the issuance of 12 permits for new wells.

Completions were:

Acadia parish, Branch field, Union Sulphur Co. D. Andrus 1-A, 16.53 bbls. through an 11-64 choke.

Bossier, North Carterville, Shell Oil Co. Inc. S. H. Bolinger No. 1, 50.00 bbls. open.

LaSalle, Little Creek, Hester and Graham L. M. Miles No. 1, 84.29 bbls. through a 5-32 choke.

Plaquemines, Garden Island bay, the Texas Co. St. Garden I. bay No. 63, 154.00 bbls. through a 1-8 choke.

Permits were:

Beauregard—Neale, Atlantic Refg. Co.'s No. 1 W. Stutesman; W. C. Merryville, Sun Oil Co.'s No. 2 Central Coal and Coke Corp.; Neale, Atlantic Refg. Co.'s No. 4 Ira Spiers; Neale, Atlantic Refg. Co.'s No. 5 Musser-Davis Land. Co.

Bossier—Wildcat, J. R. Hayden, Jr.'s No. 1 Ellerbe.

Calcasieu—Starks, W. T. Burton's No. 1 Fairchild.

Cameron—Calcasieu Lake Dome, Duval Texas Sulphur Co.'s No. 2 St. Lse. 50—Calcasieu lake.

Franklin—Wildcat, M. H. Marr, O. G. Collins and Titanic Oil Co.'s No. 1 J. H. Baker.

Grant—Wildcat, H. H. Temple's No. 1 Frank Murphrey.

Plaquemines—Delta Duck club, the Texas Co's No. 3 Delta Duck club.

St. Landry—Port Barre, Grubb and Hawkins' No. 4 J. S. Watkins.

Union—Wildcat, Westgate-Greenland Oil Co.'s No. 1 Frost Ind. Inc.

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RIVER STAGES

Stations:	Present Stage	24-Hour Change
MISSISSIPPI		
St. Louis	0.9	0.0
Memphis	3.5	0.9 Rise
Helena	3.6	1.0 Rise
Arkansas City	0.4	0.1 Rise
Vicksburg	-2.6	0.3 Fall
Natchez	2.0	0.1 Fall
Baton Rouge	3.1	0.5 Fall
OUACHITA		
Camden	6.7	2.1 Rise
Monroe	14.1	0.0
OHIO		
Pittsburgh	16.6	0.1 Fall
Cincinnati	13.8	0.4 Rise
Cairo	12.4	0.8 Rise
TENNESSEE		
Chattanooga	8.4	0.0
CUMBERLAND		
Nashville	10.7	0.3 Rise
ARKANSAS		
Little Rock	2.0	0.1 Rise
RED		
Shreveport	5.2	0.0
Alexandria	3.7	0.1 Fall

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DEATHS

MRS. HASSIE WILLIAMS

The body of Mrs. Hassie Williams, 79, of Route 2, Rayville, who died yesterday morning at 6 o'clock at Houston, Tex., arrived here at 6 o'clock last night and was taken to Dixie Funeral home.

Funeral services will be held this afternoon at 1 o'clock at the Lone Cherry church near Mangham.

Mrs. Williams is survived by three sons, Floyd Williams of Holly Ridge, Lloyd Williams of Rayville and Joe Williams of Mangham; two step-sons, Lawrence Williams and Florence Williams of Quitman, Miss.; three daughters, Mrs. Omie Byargeon of Rayville, Mrs. Ada Pruitt of Houston, Tex., and Mrs. Irene Johns, Rayville; a brother, Isaac Derman of Bastrop; two sisters, Mrs. Docia Shaw of Cuba, Ala., and Mrs. Emma Winningham of York, Ala.; twenty grandchildren and one great grandchild.

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A 23 per cent wartime increase in road calls for emergency service has been reported. The majority of the calls are prompted by starter and ignition trouble, while fewer than ever are due to lack of fuel, lost keys, etc.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2—Cards of Thanks

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends for their acts of kindness and words of sympathy extended at the death of our beloved husband and brother, John Sims Williamson.

We especially want to thank Dr. O'Connel and the Dixie Funeral Home for their many kind and courteous deeds and sympathy shown us during our bereavement.

MRS. JOHN WILLIAMSON.
MR. AND MRS. JOE WILLIAMSON.
MRS. JOHN BROWN. 1-2-A

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to take this means to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our many friends for their acts of kindness and words of sympathy extended at the death of our beloved husband and father, Thomas V. Hudson.

We especially want to thank Dr. Tisdell, Rev. I. J. Brooks, Rev. D. D. Cantrell, and the Dixie Funeral Home for their many kind and courteous deeds and sympathy shown us during our bereavement.

MRS. SUSIE HUDSON.
MRS. C. M. HANSON.
MRS. B. B. LOGAN.
OSCAR WARREN. 1-2-A

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank everyone who was so kind and good to us during the illness and death of our mother, Mrs. Cecile A. Gilliam. Especially do we thank Rev. Grant Clark, Dr. Bendel and the nurses at the clinic. Also thanks to our many friends for the beautiful floral offerings.

MR. AND MRS. E. G. GIBBS.
MR. AND MRS. N. E. YVON.
1-2-A

7—Personals

POLITICAL Announcements

The News-Star and Morning World is authorized to announce the candidacy of the following:

For Governor
JIMMY MORRISON
Subject to the Democratic primary January 18

For Lieutenant Governor
SAM TENNANT
Subject to Democratic primary January 18th.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

7—Personals

For State Senate
(29th District)
John F. (Red) McCorm
Subject to the action of the Dem
cratic Primary, Jan. 18, 1944

For State Senate
(29th District)
GEORGE D. PIPES
Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, Jan. 18, 1944.

For State Senate
(32nd District)
DR. C. C. THOMPSON
Subject to the Democratic primary January 18, 1944.

For State Senate
(28th District)
BROOKS OLIVER
Bastrop, La.
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary, January 18, 1944.

For State Senate
(28th District)
MARVIN LIPP
Subject to action of the Democratic primary, January 18.

For State Senate
(29th District)
MATT C. REDMOND
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary, Jan. 18

For State Senate
(32nd District)
DR. RALPH E. KING
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary January 18, 1944.

For Sheriff
MILTON COVERDALE
Subject to action of the Democratic Primary January, 1944.

For Sheriff
GARLAND MAY
Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary Jan. 18, 1944

For Sheriff
C. D. MEREDITH
Subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, January 18, 1944

For Police Jury
Ward 5
TOM E. HICKS
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary, January 18

For Police Jury
Ward 3
WILDS F. ROSS
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary, January 18

For Police Jury
Ward 3
GEORGE O. BREECE
Subject to action of the Democratic primary on January 18, 1944.

For Police Jury
Ward 8
C. E. BAMBURG
Subject to action of Democratic Primary January 18

For Police Jury
Ward 3
C. S. CAUSEY
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary, January 18, 1944

For Police Jury
Ward 10
JOHN M. BREARD
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary January 18, 1944.

For Police Jury
Ward 10
A. E. MONTGOMERY
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary January 18, 1944.

For Representative
(Ouachita Parish)
H. Y. JOHNSON
Subject to Democratic primary January 18th.

For Representative
J. BARDY MITCHELL
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary, January 18, 1944.

For Representatve
D. ROSS BANISTER
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary, January 18

For Representative
W. G. WORLEY
Subject to action of Democratic primary January 18.

For Representative
LEA S. THOMPSON
Subject to action of Democratic primary January 18.

For Representative
C. C. BELL
Subject to action of Democratic primary January 18.

For Representative
SANDEL BERRY
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary, January 18

For Assessor
(Ouachita Parish)
MRS. R. D. SWAYZE
Subject to action of the Democratic primary, January 18, 1944.

For Assessor
(Ouachita Parish)
BERT COVERDALE
Subject to the Democratic primary January 18, 1944.

For Coroner
(Ouachita Parish)
DR. F. C. BENNETT
Subject to the action of the Democratic primary January 18, 1944.

For Coroner
(Ouachita Parish)
DR. J. T. FRENCH
Subject to the Democratic primary January 18, 1944.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Personals

For Sheriff
(Lincoln Parish)
CLYDE FRASIER
bject to the action of the Democratic primary, January 18, 1944.

10—Strayed, Lost, Found

LOST in down town section: Child's gold ring. Small diamond. If found phone 1812. Reward. 1-5-A

LOST—Quitman High school, class 1932, ring (initial L. A.) in down town section. Reward. Call 2840-W. 1-5-A

LOST—9x12 tarpaulin between Neal's store and Bosco. Reward. L. M. Ward, Rt. 1, Calhoun, La. 1-2-A

LOST—Spotted Walker hound in swamps around Swartz. Will finder notify soldier and owned. Call 4587-W or 5925-J. 1-6-A

LOST: Man's brown wallet containing A and C gas rationing book, and Selman field officer's pass. Finder please call 1946XM to claim reward. 1-3-P

LOST: Brown billfold containing registration and rejection papers. Willie Richard, 601 Stone. 1-2-A

LOST CHRISTMAS DAY: Brown leather key case containing approximately 10 keys. Two key rings missing. Reward. Return to News-Star office. 1-1-A

LARGE single head man's Tiger Eye ring in business section of Monroe, December 24. Reward. Phone 6675-W. 1-2-A

LOST—One medium sized light red cow with right slipped horn, marked underbit in right, hole and split in left ear. J. W. Spell. Phone 5705-J. Reward. 1-4-A

AUTOMOTIVE

12—Automobiles For Sale

'39 DODGE tudor sedan. Heater. Good tires. $550.00 cash. Phone 5315-XJ. 1-5-A

1937 PONTIAC Tudor. Extra good tires. Priced to sell. Trade or terms. Dudley Motor Co., Third at Washington. Phone Phone 5478. 1-6-A

'41 CHRYSLER Convertible. Radio, heater. $1,500, cash. Call Major Ragsdale 6474-W or Extension 312, Selman field. 1-8-A

1937 DODGE 4-door Sedan. A perfect car, tires and all. Full price $585. Terms. Dudley Motor Co., Third at Washington. Phone 5478. 1-1-A

1941 CHEVROLET Club Coupe. Five good pre-war tires. Radio and heater. A pippen if you've ever seen one. Trade or terms. Dudley Motor Co., Third at Washington. Phone 5478. 1-2-A

PACKARD sedan in perfect condition. Five new pre-war tires. Private owner. Write Box 498 c/o News-Star. 1-5-A

1939 OLDSMOBILE Club Coupe. Five extra good tires. Radio. A car that would suit anyone. Dudley Motor Co., Third at Washington. Phone 5478. 1-2-A

AUTOMOTIVE

12—Automobiles For Sale

Sam Sez

I gotta 1939 Chevrolet 2 door sedan that "do not" have knee action. I did not get it to keep. It is priced to sell. Good tires. Easy terms or trade.

Dudley Motor Co.
3rd at Washington Phone 5478
1-3-P

1940 CHEVROLET 4-door sedan. Extra good pre-war tires. Brilliant blue finish. Priced to sell. Easy terms or trade. Dudley Motor Co., Third at Washington. Phone 5478. 1-3-P

1939 OLDSMOBILE Tudor Sedan. An extra clean car. Radio and heater. Five good tires. Will give terms or trade. Dudley Motor Co., Third at Washington. Phone 5478. 1-2-A

1939 BUICK 4-door sedan. Heater and radio. Easy terms. Trade. Dudley Motor Co., Third at Washington. Phone 5478. 1-2-A

13—Trucks & Trailers

TRAILER HOUSE 18-ft. long. Air-conditioned. Hot and cold running water. Completely furnished. Will sell for $500. 201 North 2nd St. Phone 122. 1-5-A

18—Wanted—Automotive

SEE US FIRST. WE PAY TOP CASH PRICES FOR ANY MAKE USED CAR.
ALLEN RITTER
Phone 2330 1919 DeSiard
1-31-P

WANTED TO BUY: 25 clean cars immediately. Pay more than anybody.
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3rd and Washington Phone 5478
1-22-A

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1-31-P

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

19—Business Services Offered

EXPERT STOVE REPAIR
707 WASHINGTON ST.
PHONE 5180 1-16-A

MEXICAN LEGAL MATTERS RELIABLY HANDLED. A. MUNOZ, BOX 240, JUAREZ, MEXICO.

WALLACE Radio Service Station. We recondition all makes of radios. Backed by 24 years of radio service. 411 Catalpa St. Telephone 4141. 1-13-P

EXPERIENCED mother will care for infant from 3 p.m. till. Call 4163-J. 1-3-P

KEYS FITTED, safes opened, and repaired. Tennis rackets restrung. Phone 121. C. C. Lindley, 126 Jackson. 1-31-P

MULHEARN FUNERAL HOME
500 St. John. Phone 66
1-23-A

AUTOMOTIVE

12—Automobiles For Sale

AUTOMOTIVE

12—Automobiles For Sale

Sam Sez

Yes, I'm Bragging, But Look What I've Got to Brag About!

1941 DeSoto 4 door Sedan. Radio and heater.
1941 Pontiac Torpedo 2 door. Radio and heater.
1941 Chevrolet 2 Door. Radio and heater.
1938 Buick 4 Door Sedan.
1939 Oldsmobile 2 Door.

These are only a few of the cars that are coming in from the North. They are all originally clean, with low mileage, and equipped with pre-war tires.

They Are Cars You Have to See to Appreciate
See Sam for the Best—See Sam to Save

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Third at Washington Phone 5478
1-3-P

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USED CARS
Paying More Than Anybody
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Third at Washington
1-2-A

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

19—Business Services Offered

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MATTRESS RENOVATED. Save! Buy your new mattress direct from factory. Jobs called for and delivered. Work guaranteed. Call 2744 or write Ouachita Mattress company 2307 DeSiard. 1-16-A

DR. P. G. MARINE, OPTOMETRIST
529 DeSiard Phone 14
1-8-A

MATTRESSES RENOVATED—New Mattresses at a saving. Work guaranteed. Twin City Mattress Co., 511 Coleman. Phone 4065. 1-31-P

MATTRESSES RENOVATED. Reasonably priced. Furniture upholstered. West Monroe Mattress Co., 416 Claiborne. Phone 1145. 1-31-P

HALL FUNERAL SERVICE INSURANCE CO.
403 Jackson St. Phone 577
1-27-P

19A—Beauty Shops

"NEW RILLING" Permanent-wave! A time-saver. Leaves hair natural lusterous. Wamsley Beauty Shop. Bernhardt Bldg. Phone 1405. 1-31-P

BEAUTY STUDENTS: Enroll now! Earn while you learn. Francis Beauty College. 206 Jackson. Phone 3202. 1-28-P

19-B—Corsetiers

SPENCER corsets specially designed. Girdles, brassaires, surgical garments. 11 years service. Mrs. Ziegler, 1409 Fairview, Phone 2228. 12-31-P

EMPLOYMENT

33—Help Wanted, Female

FREE DRESSES and up to $23 weekly. No canvassing, investment or experience necessary. Write for details and portfolio. 120 smart, new advanced Spring Dresses. FASHION FROCKS, Dept. A-4346, Cincinnati, Ohio. 1-2-A

Wanted
Secretary With College Education
Prefer experienced and some knowledge of bookkeeping. Must be reliable. Good salary and bonus. Office hours 9 to 5. Saturday afternoon off. Permanent position for right party. Write Box 497 c/o News-Star, stating salary expected.
1-3-P

WANTED AT ONCE: Experienced bookkeeper for one of Monroe's most prominent stores. Write Box 438, c/o News-Star. 1-10-P

Two Young Ladies as Drug Clerks.
Good Hours,
Good Pay.
Walgreen Drug Store
1-2-A

WANTED
Experienced Waitresses
Cafeteria Girls
Apply in Person
PRIMOS
353 DeSiard 1-3-P

Wanted
Experienced Waitress—Good Wages
Apply
Monroe Hotel Coffee Shop
1-3-P

PRACTICAL nurse wanted on or about January 20. Phone 2721. 1-3-P

WANTED
Colored Female Help
Apply
Monroe Steam Laundry
1-2-A

Housekeeper Wanted
White, unincumbered, middle aged. Private room in the home. Light duties. Interview H. Nichols presently at Riverside Sanitarium, Monroe, La.

EMPLOYMENT

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FOR SALE: or trade: One milch cow. Will freshen in few days. Phone 4245-W. 1705 Trenton St., West Monroe. W. W. Pace. 1-4-P

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MERCHANDISE

52—Articles For Sale

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NEW book case with glass doors $27.50. Four 30 inch Venetian blinds $6.25 each. 702 Stubbs Ave. Phone 4596. 1-4-P

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TARPAULINS FOR SALE
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53—For Sale Or Exchange

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62—Household Goods

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70—Wanted To Buy

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77—Rooms With Board

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83—Wanted To Rent

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WANTED by middle-aged lady: Nice room with or near meals. Call Room 550, Virginia hotel. 1-4-P

OFFICER and wife desire furnished three-room apartment or house. Good references. Phone 6048-J. 1-7-P

LOCAL girl, permanent resident, desires bedroom or bedroom and sitting room. Prefer North side. Write Box 439, c/o News-Star. 1-4-P

OFFICER, wife and school age child wants furnished house or apartment. No pets. Call Mrs. Freeston at 1192. 1-5-P

DOCTOR desires furnished apartment or house for occupancy any time. Call 3180, Dr. Robichaux. 1-4-P

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

84—Business Prop. For Sale

BARBER SHOP—Complete one chair shop. Electric pole. Sell all or part. Write Box 491 c/o News-Star. 1-8-A

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86—Houses For Sale

5-ROOM HOUSE for sale. 310 Smith Ave., near Junior College. Phone 5746. 1-4-A

FOUR-ROOM HOUSE for colored people. 103 Cedar St. Just off DeSiard road. Price $1,525. $400 cash, balance $20 per month. E. W. Cruse. Phone 5400. 1-8-A

FOR SALE
404 Coleman street, West Monroe. Five rooms and bath. Double garage. New hardwood floors. New paper, paint, and roof. Easy terms. $3,500.
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SIX-ROOM house located next to Laster's Service Station near Brown Paper Mill. For quick sale, $1,575. E. W. Cruse, 302 Ouachita Bank. Phone 5400. 1-5-P

FIVE-ROOM HOUSE
with tile bath. Located just off Loop road. Asbestos siding and roof. Solid concrete foundation. Screen porch. Built-in garage. Large lot. For quick sale owner will accept $7,300.
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REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

86—Houses For Sale

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Nice five-room house. Hardwood floors. West Monroe.
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FAIRVIEW ADDITION
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Four-room houses, 506 and 508 North Eleventh st.

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THREE bedroom home, 506 Arkansas Ave. Hardwood floors. Very attractive interior. Fire place with mantel. Breakfast room. Ample closet space. Price $5,000. Terms.
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NICE FIVE-ROOM house with bath. 512 Stella street, West Monroe. Good condition. Corner lot. Price $3,700. E. W. Cruse. Phone 5400. 1-1-A

FIVE-ROOM HOUSE with bath. Good condition, good neighborhood. Ransom Addition, West Monroe. Seen by appointment only. Write or apply to W. C. Puckett, Luna Star Rte., West Monroe. 1-6-P

FIVE-ROOM house and bath. Three lots. Located on Vernon and Jackson streets. Price 3,700.
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FIVE-ROOM house with bath located 707 North Sixth street, West Monroe. Completely furnished. Hardwood floors and venetian blinds. F. H. A. built. About 18 months old. Owner will accept $5,350. Can be seen by appointment only. E. W. Cruse, 302 Ouachita Bank. Phone 5400. 1-3-P

87—Lots For Sale

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89—Real Estate, Sale or Exch.

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CAPITOL TALKS OF FOURTH TERM

Baton Rouge More Interested In Presidential Than State Races

BATON ROUGE, La., Jan. 1—(AP)—Capitol odds'n'ends: Curbstone political talk away from the capitol proper seems to center more on the fall presidential race (mostly fourth term) than on state races. . . . Super-optimists among the Davis and Jones forces here are predicting the first primary will mark "the beginning of the end" of the Old Regulars as an organization. . . . But Old Regular supporters insist they'll be happier about the whole situation if and when the administration openly endorses Davis.

Much 'flu among capitolites has produced a co-epidemic of "sure cures," including the inevitable aspirin and the interesting pint-in-bed. . . . Only 100 per cent effective idea so far, however, seems to be to go to bed and call the doctor. . . . Non-civil service employes in general aren't getting much of a vacation during the "extended holidays," considered by some bosses to be an excellent chance to catch up on "polytikin."

Nomination for most pleasant telephone voice in the capitol: Secretary Sara Boutte in the highway department project control office. . . . Agriculture Commissioner Harry Wilson, who carries around aspirin for others' headaches, recently had a labor-of-love—writing to a northern woman who wanted to know just exactly what was "potlikker."

Governor Jones will give most of the state something to think about soon with a proposal for a unique statewide project. . . . And the department of public works will give rice growers an additional something to worry about with a report on the underground water situation. . . . Biggest worry of Frank Gravenberg, who keeps the capitol functioning, is where to get another chair for the incoming governor, departing governors always taking the chair with them.

Leading aviatrix of the capitol is pretty Elizabeth Deen, secretary to Treasurer Pat Tugwell. . . . She navigates with only a highway map, actually swooping down to check on numbers and arrows. . . . Nomination for most terrible "barber shop duo" among capitol singers—(and they admit it): Jack McBryde, publicity, and H. B. Southwood, engineering, of the public works department.

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GERMAN ESCAPES FROM CLAIBORNE

Robert A. Guerin, special agent in charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation at New Orleans, announced yesterday the escape of Franz Helm, a German prisoner of war from Camp Claiborne, Louisiana. Helm was reported missing from the prison camp at 7:30 a. m. January 1, 1944.

He is described as being male, white, aged 19, height 5 feet nine inches, weight 164 pounds, hair, blond, eyes, blue, and unable to speak English. He is reported to speak German with a Viennese dialect. He is wearing a two-piece blue denim work suit with the letters "PW" marked in yellow on the suit. Also, a government issued raincoat with the letters "PW" stamped in yellow on the back of the coat, navy blue mackinaw, and government issued shoes.

Any information concerning this individual's whereabouts should be immediately referred to the Federal Bureau of Investigation at New Orleans, La.

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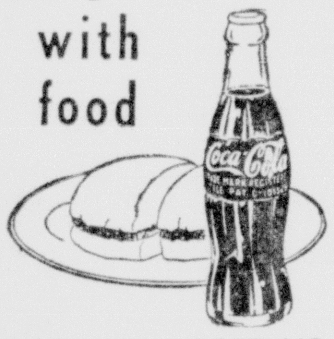

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PRIVATE SALLEY AWARDED D. S. C.

Officers State He Showed Unusual Heroism In Sicily

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Salley, 607 North Seventh street, West Monroe have just received information of the award of the distinguished service cross to their son, Private Henry C. Salley, infantry United States army for extraordinary heroism in action last July near Sicily.

The notification, signed by Lieutenant General Patton and Hobart R. Gay, brigadier general, recites as follows:

"Henry C. Salley, 34078322, private, company * * *, * * * infantry, United States army, for extraordinary heroism in action on * * * and * * * July 1943, near * * *, Sicily. When Private Salley's company came under effective enemy fire, he, with utter disregard for his personal safety, advanced to within thirty yards of an enemy pillbox, threw a grenade into it, destroying it completely.

"He then proceeded to assist in destroying an enemy mortar position. Later, when his platoon was attacked by a * * * tank, Private Salley moved from his covered position to a soldier who was partially dazed from a shell explosion, took his rifle with grenade launcher attached, fired a grenade which caused the tank to withdraw. The riflemen of his platoon then succeeded in annihilating a * * * infantry platoon. By this heroic act, Private Salley prevented a breach in our lines and was instrumental in causing severe enemy casualties.

"The initiative, courage, and tenacity of purpose displayed by Private Salley were an inspiring example to his comrades and are in accordance with the highest traditions of the military service. Residence at enlistment: Monroe, La."

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MEMBERS OF LOAN COMMITTEE NAMED

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 1—(AP)—Leon G. Tujague, state chairman of the war finance committee, today named Donald H. Higgins, managing editor of the New Orleans Item, as chairman of the fourth war loan drive publicity committee.

Other members named were:

Frank Allen, managing editor of the New Orleans States; John McClure, acting managing editor of the Times-Picayune; John D. Ewing, president and publisher of the Shreveport Times; T. M. Callahan, editor of the Lafayette Advertiser; Hunter Jarreau, general manager of the Alexandria Town Talk; Ernest Gueymard, city editor of the Baton Rouge State Times; D. A. Attaway, general manager of the Shreveport Journal; Wilson Ewing, publisher of the Monroe News-Star; Bruce McCoy, manager, Louisiana Press association, Baton Rouge; Marvin Lipp, president, Louisiana Press association, Oak Grove. The drive begins January 18.

War Girl Of The Week

FRANCES BARRETT

Miss Frances Barrett is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis D. Barrett, Choudrant.

She was born in Sikes but moved to Choudrant when a small child. She received her grammar and high school education in Choudrant and was graduated from the Choudrant High school in 1941. She majored in commerce in high school.

After graduating from high school, Frances worked in the office of the Robert R. Matican dress shop in Ruston. She was employed by this concern approximately six months.

On January 25, 1943, she was employed by air service command, 78th sub-depot, Selman field. She worked at first in the stock record section, a unit of supply which deals with incoming and outgoing stock. Later she transferred to the inspection department where she serves efficiently as file clerk, filing technical orders and other aircraft maintenance publications.

Frances will appear in the Little Theater production, "The Man Who Came to Dinner," which will be staged in Monroe at an early date.

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SERGT. BROSSETT VISITS HIS HOME

Ernest Brossett, graduate of Northeast Junior college, and former employe of the News-Star—World, is back for a brief furlough spent with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Brossett in West Monroe.

He is now staff sergeant in the antiaircraft service and has been stationed for the past few months at Needles, Calif., which is in a desert country.

His wife, a former Lubbock, Tex., girl, and baby are located 200 miles from Needles, because of inability to secure quarters nearer, and the family can be together only on week-end periods.

The sergeant was delighted to return home for a brief visit and stated that he enjoyed army life and is in the best of health.

LOOKS BACK ON 2 BLACK YEARS

Former A. P. Chief In Manila In U. S. After Prison Camp Life

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Ray Cronin, former chief of the Associated Press bureau at Manila, returned recently to the United States, after nearly two years in a Japanese internment camp.)

By Ray Cronin

NEW YORK, Jan. 1—(AP)—As another year dawns, with its promises of ultimate victory for the United Nations, memories flash back to two of the blackest New Years in a half century of life—in Manila as 1942 was born—in a Japanese prison camp as 1943 began.

Pre-war Manila's New Year celebrations compared in happines and hilarity with the gayest in the world. The old year floated out on barrels of liquor. The bells of scores of churches rang the glad welcome.

The joyous crowds danced until dawn and then came the endless rounds of egg-nog in private homes and crowded clubs.

But the new year of 1942—

As the sun began to fall below Corregidor island on December 31, the southwest sky was blotted out by the giant cloud of smoke from the embers of the Cavite navy yard. The city shook time and again as demolition squads put the finishing touches to supplies left by the army in its retreat to the Bataan peninsula. The streets were bare except for looters who broke into stores and water front bodegas (warehouses).

The Japanese were reported ready to enter the city. By 11 p.m. there was dead silence in the port area except for infrequent demolition explosions. Within the formerly gay Manila hotel, a handful of restless men and women sipped drinks at lobby tables. A few brave souls tried dancing but gave it up within a few minutes.

Manila bay was a scene of desolation. The stacks and spars of sunken ships peeped out of the oily waters. The mercy ship Mactan, loaded with wounded airmen, sailed for Australia under a Japanese guarantee of protection.

A few minutes before midnight, I went to the roof of the hotel to witness a fearfully beautiful sight. To the southwest Cavite continued to throw off smoke clouds that were darker than the midnight hour. To the north, within two blocks, the giant storehouses of the quartermaster were going up in sprays of sparks and pillars of flame that reached at least 100 feet in the air. To the northeast, low clouds reflected the flashes of our field guns. On the east, oil tanks were exploding into flame and rolling columns of smoke. Other great fires were burning at Fort McKinley and Nichols field.

We were stricken dumb by the sight, at once terrifying and magnificent. We had no hearts to say "Happy New Year" and went to bed expecting the Japanese at the door at any minute. They came in January 2.

Thus we greeted 1942.

After a year in the Jap prison camp of Santo Tomas, Manila, we tried to ignore the advent of 1943. Yet the thing was in our blood and in spite of Jap curfew regulations, about 100 of the internees trooped out before the main building to welcome the New Year.

We thought sure the church bells would give us their cheering tones but they remained silent. One lone Jap searchlight sent its silver spear fishing among the low clouds. The midnight hour brought a toast in water and friend kissed friend midst showers of tears.

One girl sang out "Happy New Year."

The reply came from a former sailor of the Asiatic fleet—"What the hell is happy about it?"

Silently we went to our dormitories, feeling hopeless and neglected. But sunrise of January 1 found the same old high morale driving us ahead, chins up.

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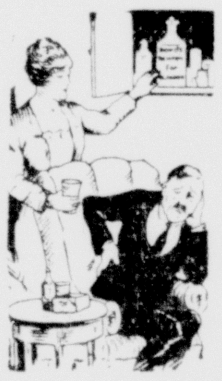
KINDERGARTEN IS TO BE REOPENED

The Martin Temple community kindergarten for colored children that has been in existence for five years, is to resume on Monday, January 3, at 9 a.m. All children enrolled are to return at this time and new ones will be accepted.

The kindergarten staff wishes to thank the woman's auxiliary of the First Presbyterian church, Mrs. W. R. Hatchell, president, for candies and oranges donated at Christmas time. Children who failed to receive their candies and oranges at Christmas will receive them Monday.

Marie M. Penn is supervisor and Rev. E. V. Wade is pastor.



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We will continue being closed all day Tuesday.

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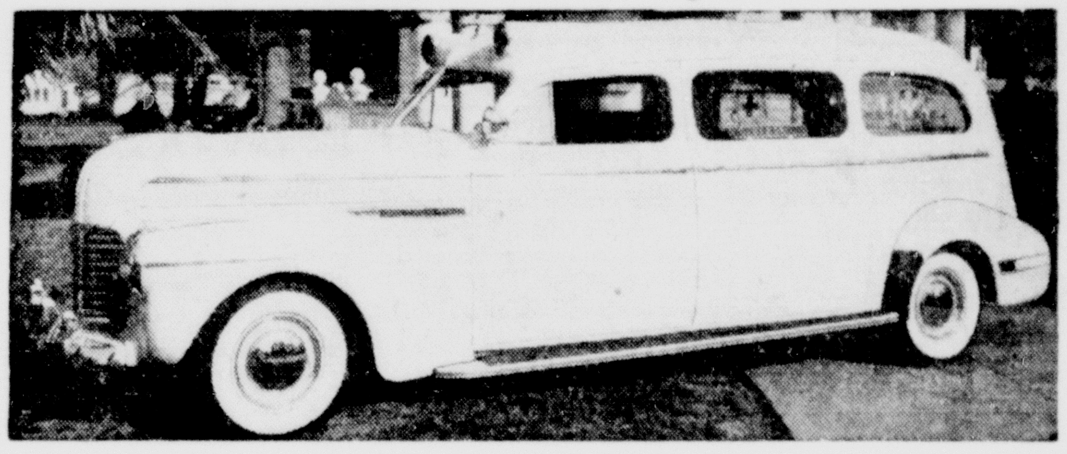
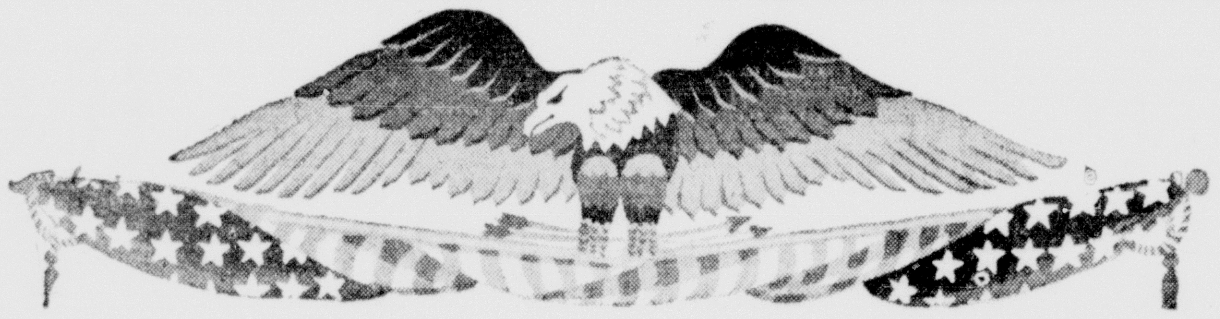


It is an inspiration to see the preference that the fine people of Monroe, West Monroe, and Northeast Louisiana have shown by calling the Dixie Funeral Home for over 1,500 ambulance trips. Such staunch and widespread confidence and support, strongly endorses their policies and principles of efficient service, modern equipment, expert drivers, and competent assistants.



A Happy and Victorious New Year

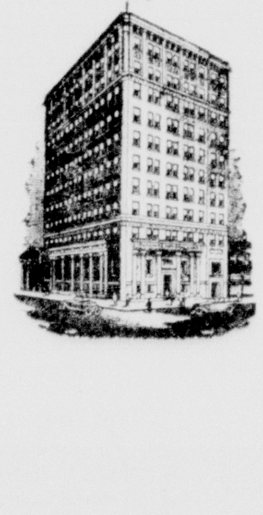
Statement of the Condition of The Ouachita National Bank
at the Close of Business, December 31, 1943

RESOURCES

Cash and Due from Banks	$ 5,076,690.65
United States Government Securities	6,812,865.63
State and Municipal Bonds	1,372,500.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	19,050.00
Loans and Discounts	2,024,029.66
Banking House—Main Office	390,000.00
Branch Banking House—West Monroe	9,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1.00
Other Resources	2,183.95
TOTAL RESOURCES	$15,706,320.89

OFFICERS

F. F. MILLSAPS	President
SIG MASUR	Vice-President
BEN R. DOWNING	Vice-President
W. C. OLIVER	Vice-President
T. C. STANDIFER	Cashier
ROBERT COWDEN	Assistant Cashier
J. W. MITCHELL	Manager West Monroe Branch



LIABILITIES

Capital Stock	$ 500,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	226,737.23
Reserve for Taxes and Interest	25,100.00
Dividend Payable January 5, 1944	15,000.00
Deposits	14,939,483.66
TOTAL LIABILITIES	$15,706,320.89

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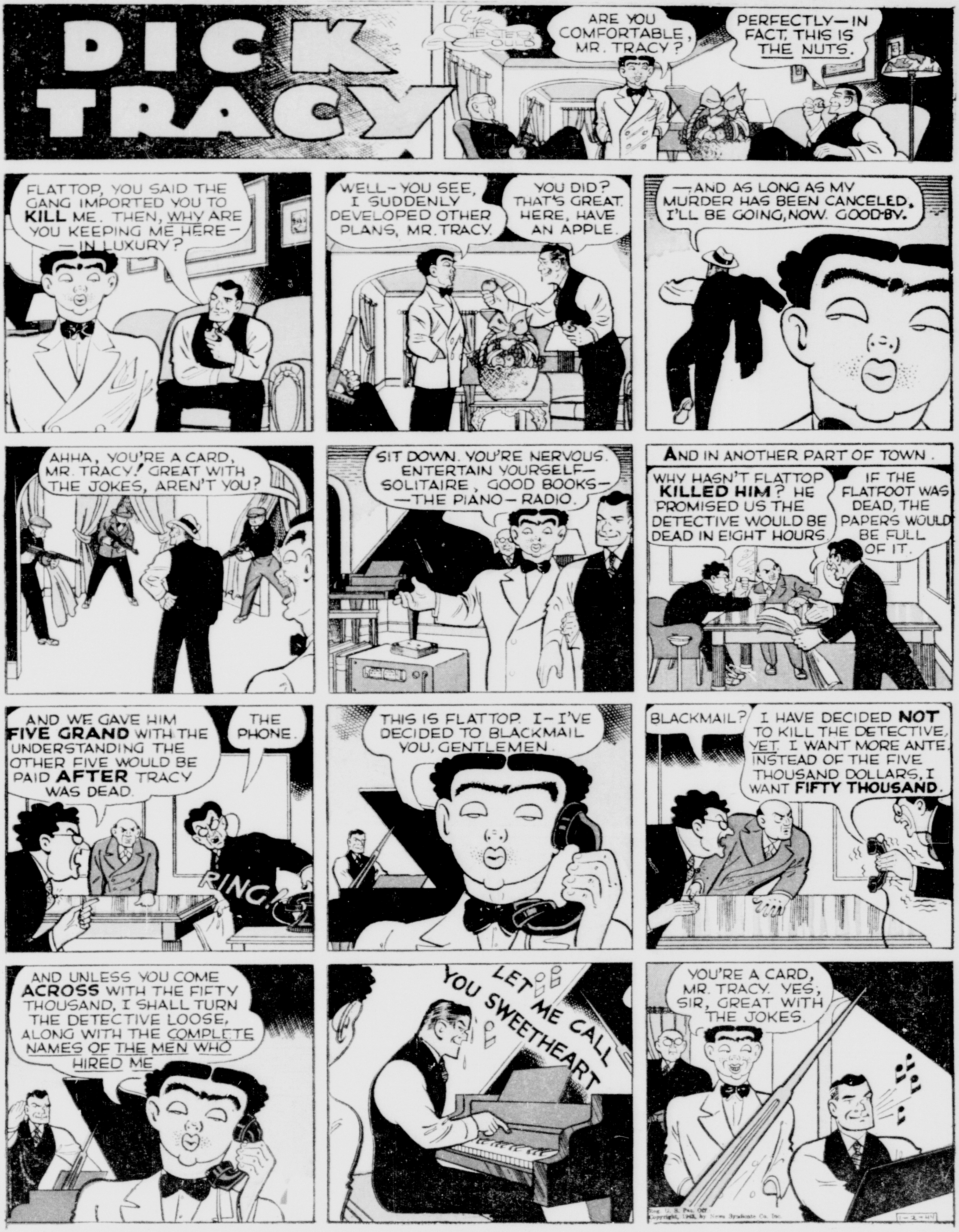
DICK TRACY
Chester Gould
ARE YOU COMFORTABLE, MR. TRACY?
PERFECTLY—IN FACT, THIS IS THE NUTS.
FLATTOP, YOU SAID THE GANG IMPORTED YOU TO KILL ME. THEN, WHY ARE YOU KEEPING ME HERE—IN LUXURY?
WELL—YOU SEE, I SUDDENLY DEVELOPED OTHER PLANS, MR. TRACY.
YOU DID? THAT'S GREAT. HERE, HAVE AN APPLE.
—AND AS LONG AS MY MURDER HAS BEEN CANCELED, I'LL BE GOING, NOW. GOOD-BY.
AHHA, YOU'RE A CARD, MR. TRACY! GREAT WITH THE JOKES, AREN'T YOU?
SIT DOWN. YOU'RE NERVOUS. ENTERTAIN YOURSELF—SOLITAIRE, GOOD BOOKS—THE PIANO—RADIO.
AND IN ANOTHER PART OF TOWN.
WHY HASN'T FLATTOP KILLED HIM? HE PROMISED US THE DETECTIVE WOULD BE DEAD IN EIGHT HOURS.
IF THE FLATFOOT WAS DEAD, THE PAPERS WOULD BE FULL OF IT.
AND WE GAVE HIM FIVE GRAND WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THE OTHER FIVE WOULD BE PAID AFTER TRACY WAS DEAD.
THE PHONE.
RING!
THIS IS FLATTOP. I—I'VE DECIDED TO BLACKMAIL YOU, GENTLEMEN.
BLACKMAIL?
I HAVE DECIDED NOT TO KILL THE DETECTIVE, YET. I WANT MORE ANTE. INSTEAD OF THE FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS, I WANT FIFTY THOUSAND.
AND UNLESS YOU COME ACROSS WITH THE FIFTY THOUSAND, I SHALL TURN THE DETECTIVE LOOSE, ALONG WITH THE COMPLETE NAMES OF THE MEN WHO HIRED ME.
LET ME CALL YOU SWEETHEART
YOU'RE A CARD, MR. TRACY. YES, SIR, GREAT WITH THE JOKES.
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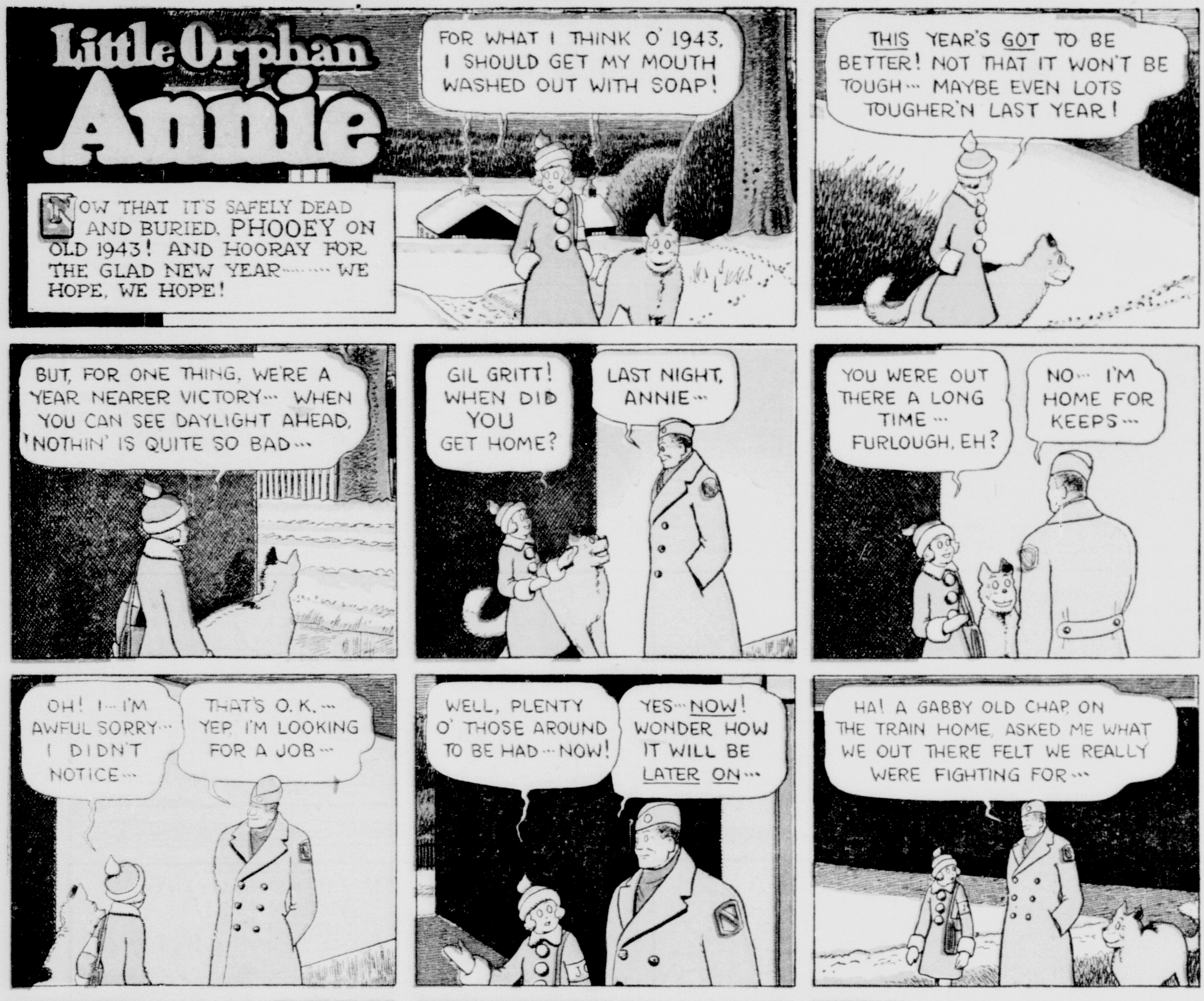
Little Orphan Annie
NOW THAT IT'S SAFELY DEAD AND BURIED, PHOOEY ON OLD 1943! AND HOORAY FOR THE GLAD NEW YEAR...... WE HOPE, WE HOPE!
FOR WHAT I THINK O' 1943, I SHOULD GET MY MOUTH WASHED OUT WITH SOAP!
THIS YEAR'S GOT TO BE BETTER! NOT THAT IT WON'T BE TOUGH... MAYBE EVEN LOTS TOUGHER'N LAST YEAR!
BUT, FOR ONE THING, WE'RE A YEAR NEARER VICTORY... WHEN YOU CAN SEE DAYLIGHT AHEAD, 'NOTHIN' IS QUITE SO BAD...
GIL GRITT! WHEN DID YOU GET HOME?
LAST NIGHT, ANNIE...
YOU WERE OUT THERE A LONG TIME... FURLOUGH, EH?
NO... I'M HOME FOR KEEPS...
OH! I... I'M AWFUL SORRY... I DIDN'T NOTICE...
THAT'S O.K. ... YEP, I'M LOOKING FOR A JOB...
WELL, PLENTY O' THOSE AROUND TO BE HAD... NOW!
YES... NOW! WONDER HOW IT WILL BE LATER ON...
HA! A GABBY OLD CHAP ON THE TRAIN HOME, ASKED ME WHAT WE OUT THERE FELT WE REALLY WERE FIGHTING FOR...
I TOLD HIM; "TO KILL THE ENEMY, AND WIN"... WELL, THE GUYS AREN'T FIGHTING FOR ANY HALF-BAKED UTOPIA!
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WE ALL ARE FIGHTING TO STAY FREE, IN A FREE COUNTRY... TO BE SURE OF A HOME AND THE RIGHT TO WORK AT A JOB...
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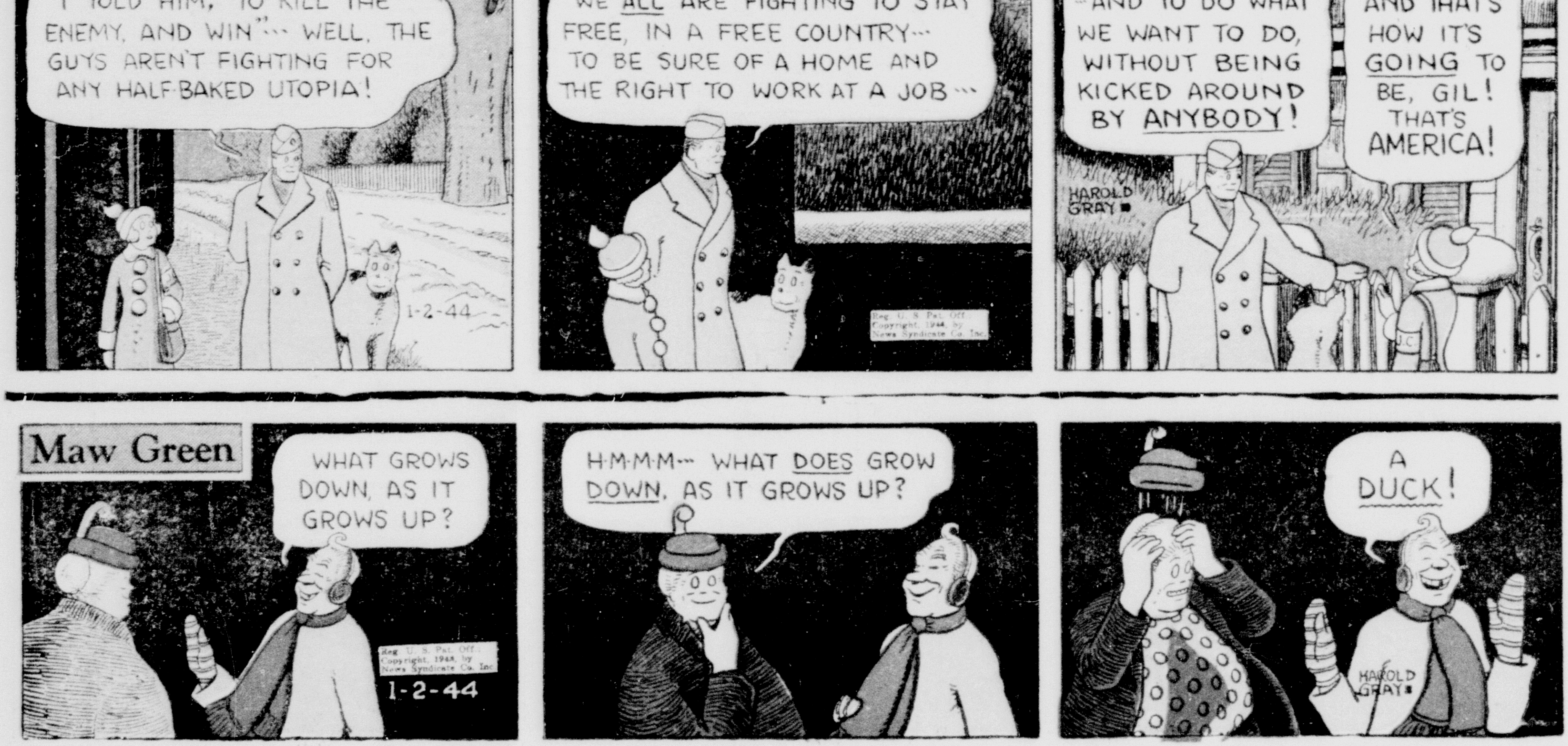
...AND TO DO WHAT WE WANT TO DO, WITHOUT BEING KICKED AROUND BY ANYBODY!
AND THAT'S HOW IT'S GOING TO BE, GIL! THAT'S AMERICA!
HAROLD GRAY


Maw Green
WHAT GROWS DOWN, AS IT GROWS UP?
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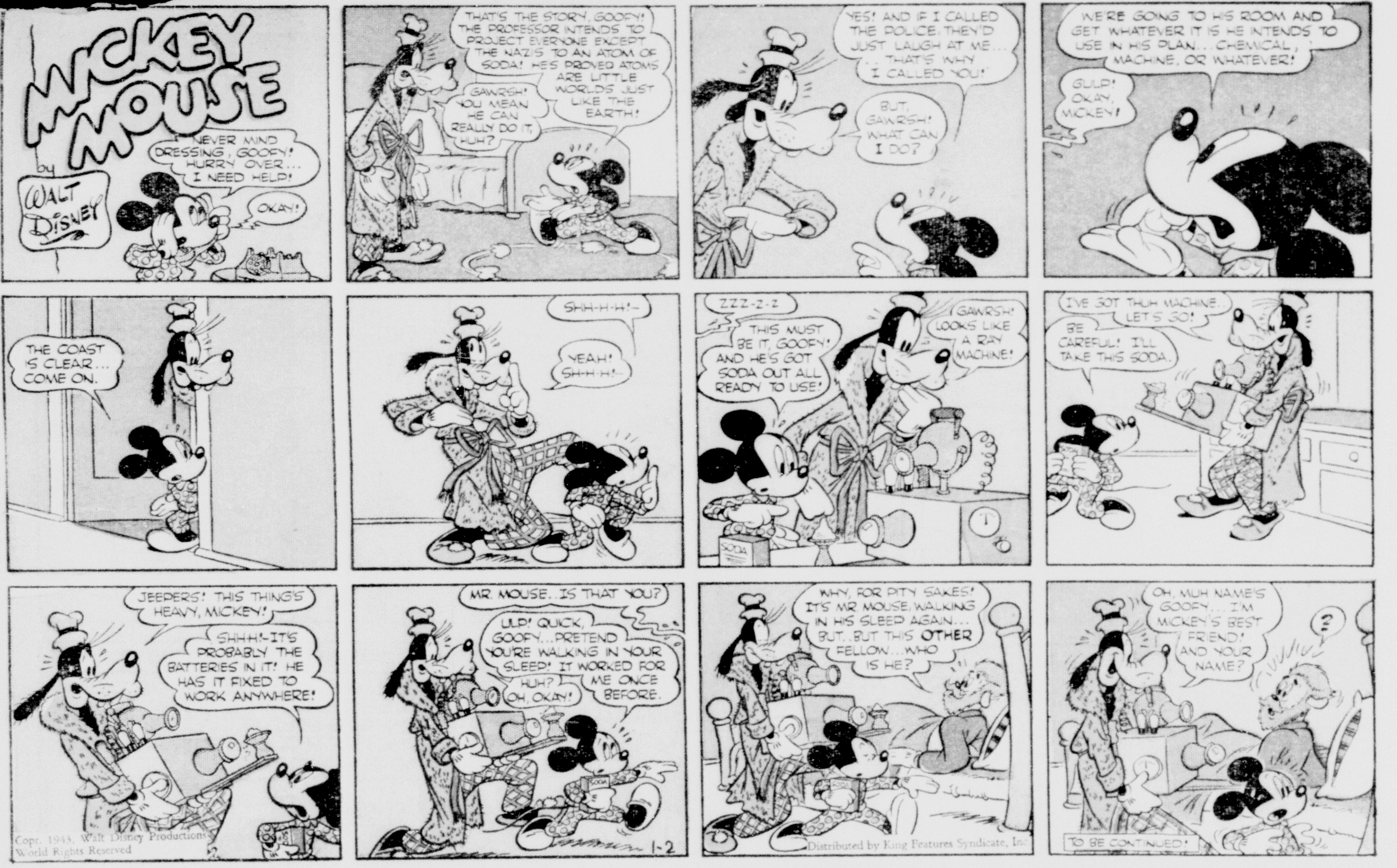
H-M-M-M... WHAT DOES GROW DOWN, AS IT GROWS UP?
A DUCK!
HAROLD GRAY


MICKEY MOUSE
by WALT DISNEY
NEVER MIND DRESSING, GOOFY! HURRY OVER... I NEED HELP!
OKAY!
THAT'S THE STORY, GOOFY! THE PROFESSOR INTENDS TO PROJECT EVERYONE EXCEPT THE NAZIS TO AN ATOM OF SODA! HE'S PROVED ATOMS ARE LITTLE WORLDS JUST LIKE THE EARTH!
GAWRSH! YOU MEAN HE CAN REALLY DO IT, HUH?
YES! AND IF I CALLED THE POLICE, THEY'D JUST LAUGH AT ME... THAT'S WHY I CALLED YOU!
BUT, GAWRSH! WHAT CAN I DO?
WE'RE GOING TO HIS ROOM AND GET WHATEVER IT IS HE INTENDS TO USE IN HIS PLAN... CHEMICAL, MACHINE, OR WHATEVER!
GULP! OKAY, MICKEY!
THE COAST 'S CLEAR... COME ON.
SHH-H-H!—
YEAH! SH-H-H!—
ZZZ-Z-Z
THIS MUST BE IT, GOOFY! AND HE'S GOT SODA OUT ALL READY TO USE!
GAWRSH! LOOKS LIKE A RAY MACHINE!
SODA
I'VE GOT THUH MACHINE. LET'S GO!
BE CAREFUL! I'LL TAKE THIS SODA.
JEEPERS! THIS THING'S HEAVY, MICKEY!
SHHH!—IT'S PROBABLY THE BATTERIES IN IT! HE HAS IT FIXED TO WORK ANYWHERE!
MR. MOUSE.. IS THAT YOU?
ULP! QUICK, GOOFY... PRETEND YOU'RE WALKING IN YOUR SLEEP! IT WORKED FOR ME ONCE BEFORE.
HUH? OH, OKAY!
WHY, FOR PITY SAKES! IT'S MR. MOUSE, WALKING IN HIS SLEEP AGAIN... BUT.. BUT THIS OTHER FELLOW... WHO IS HE?
OH, MUH NAME'S GOOFY... I'M MICKEY'S BEST FRIEND! AND YOUR NAME?
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TO BE CONTINUED!
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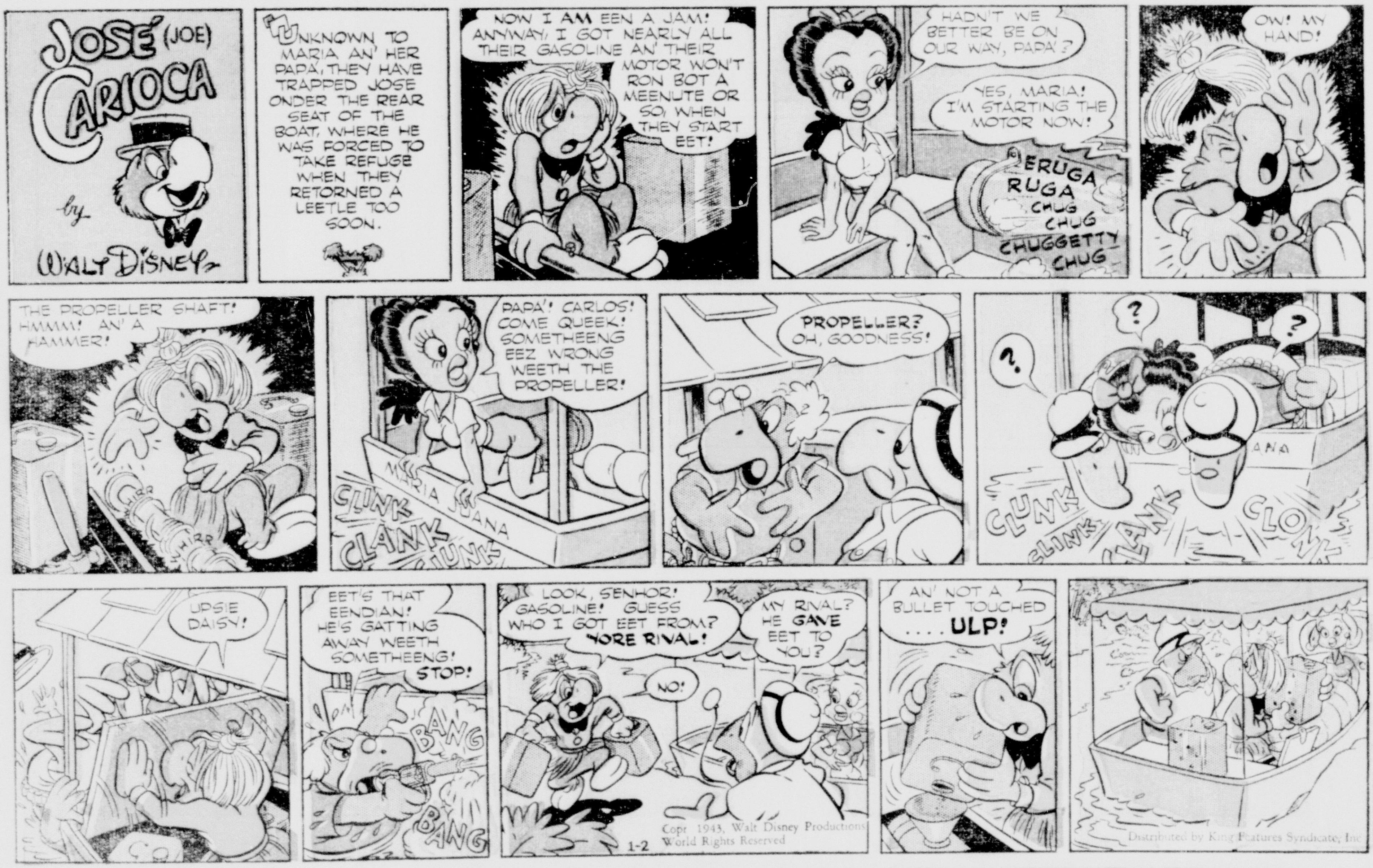
JOSÉ (JOE) CARIOCA
by WALT DISNEY
UNKNOWN TO MARIA AN' HER PAPA, THEY HAVE TRAPPED JOSE ONDER THE REAR SEAT OF THE BOAT, WHERE HE WAS FORCED TO TAKE REFUGE WHEN THEY RETORNED A LEETLE TOO SOON.
NOW I AM EEN A JAM! ANYWAY, I GOT NEARLY ALL THEIR GASOLINE AN' THEIR MOTOR WON'T RON BOT A MEENUTE OR SO, WHEN THEY START EET!
HADN'T WE BETTER BE ON OUR WAY, PAPA'?
YES, MARIA! I'M STARTING THE MOTOR NOW!
ERUGA RUGA CHUG CHUG CHUGGETTY CHUG
OW! MY HAND!
THE PROPELLER SHAFT! HMMM! AN' A HAMMER!
PAPA'! CARLOS! COME QUEEK! SOMETHEENG EEZ WRONG WEETH THE PROPELLER!
MARIA JUANA
CLINK CLANK CLUNK
PROPELLER? OH, GOODNESS!
?
?
?
CLUNK CLINK CLANK CLONK
UPSIE DAISY!
EET'S THAT EENDIAN! HE'S GATTING AWAY WEETH SOMETHEENG! STOP!
BANG BANG
LOOK, SENHOR! GASOLINE! GUESS WHO I GOT EET FROM? YORE RIVAL!
NO!
MY RIVAL? HE GAVE EET TO YOU?
AN' NOT A BULLET TOUCHED .... ULP!
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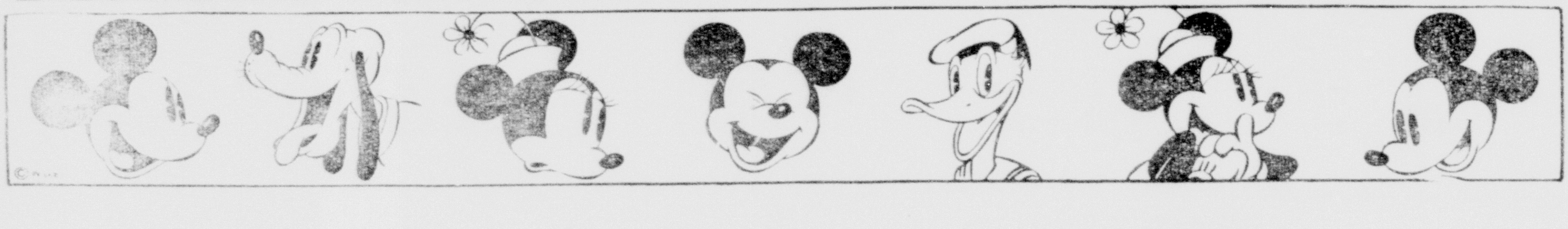

THE KATZENJAMMER KIDS

by KNERR

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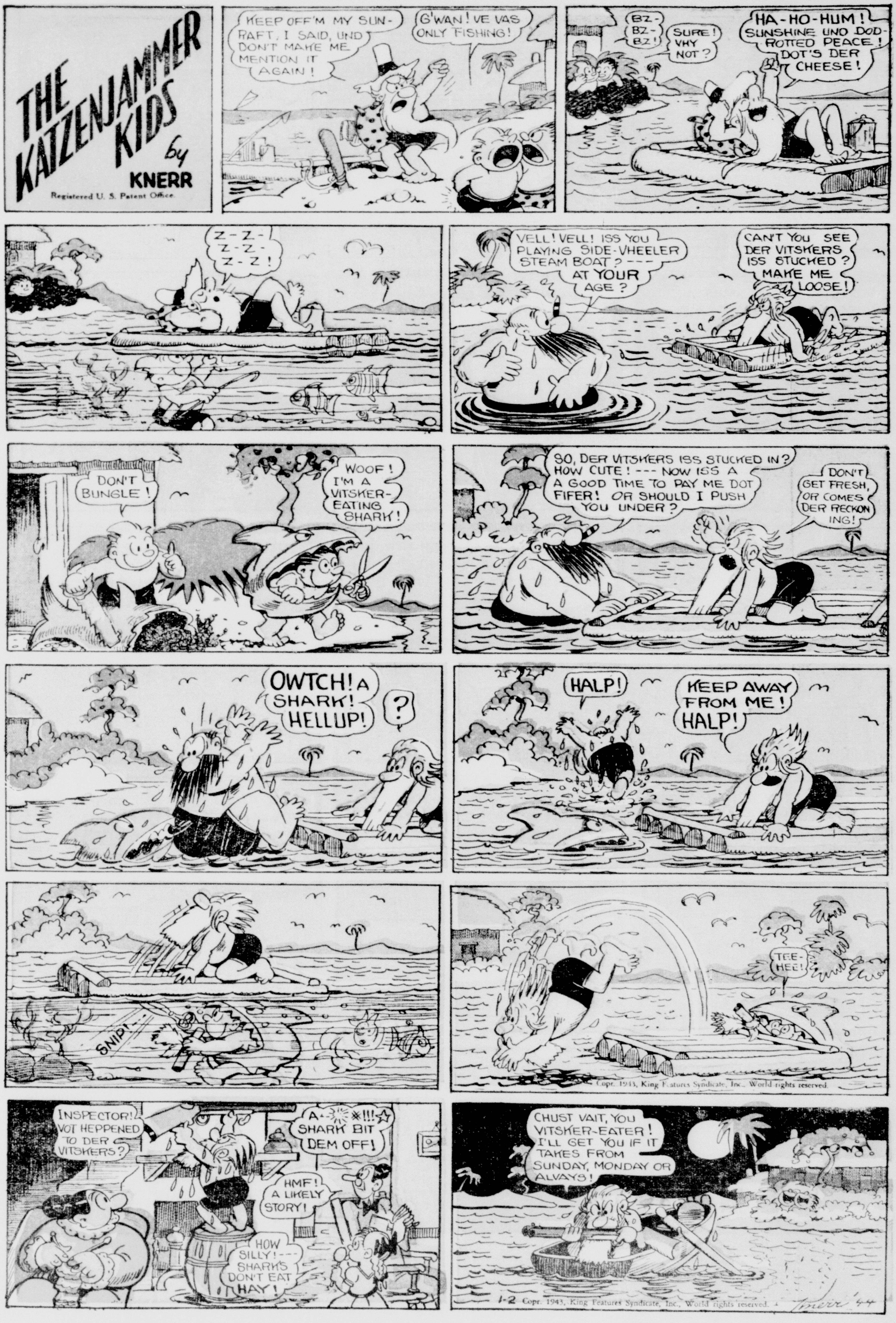
KEEP OFF'M MY SUN-RAFT, I SAID, UND DON'T MAKE ME MENTION IT AGAIN!
G'WAN! VE VAS ONLY FISHING!
BZ-BZ-BZ!
SURE! VHY NOT?
HA-HO-HUM! SUNSHINE UND DOD-ROTTED PEACE! DOT'S DER CHEESE!
Z-Z-Z-Z-Z-Z!
VELL! VELL! ISS YOU PLAYING SIDE-VHEELER STEAM BOAT? --- AT YOUR AGE?
CAN'T YOU SEE DER VITSKERS ISS STUCKED? MAKE ME LOOSE!
DON'T BUNGLE!
WOOF! I'M A VITSKER-EATING SHARK!
SO, DER VITSKERS ISS STUCKED IN? HOW CUTE! --- NOW ISS A A GOOD TIME TO PAY ME DOT FIFER! OR SHOULD I PUSH YOU UNDER?
DON'T GET FRESH, OR COMES DER RECKON ING!
OWTCH! A SHARK! HELLUP!
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HALP!
KEEP AWAY FROM ME! HALP!
SNIP!
TEE-HEE!
INSPECTOR! VOT HEPPENED TO DER VITSKERS?
A-☼✻!!!☆ SHARK BIT DEM OFF!
HMF! A LIKELY STORY!
HOW SILLY! --- SHARKS DON'T EAT HAY!
CHUST VAIT, YOU VITSKER-EATER! I'LL GET YOU IF IT TAKES FROM SUNDAY, MONDAY OR ALVAYS!
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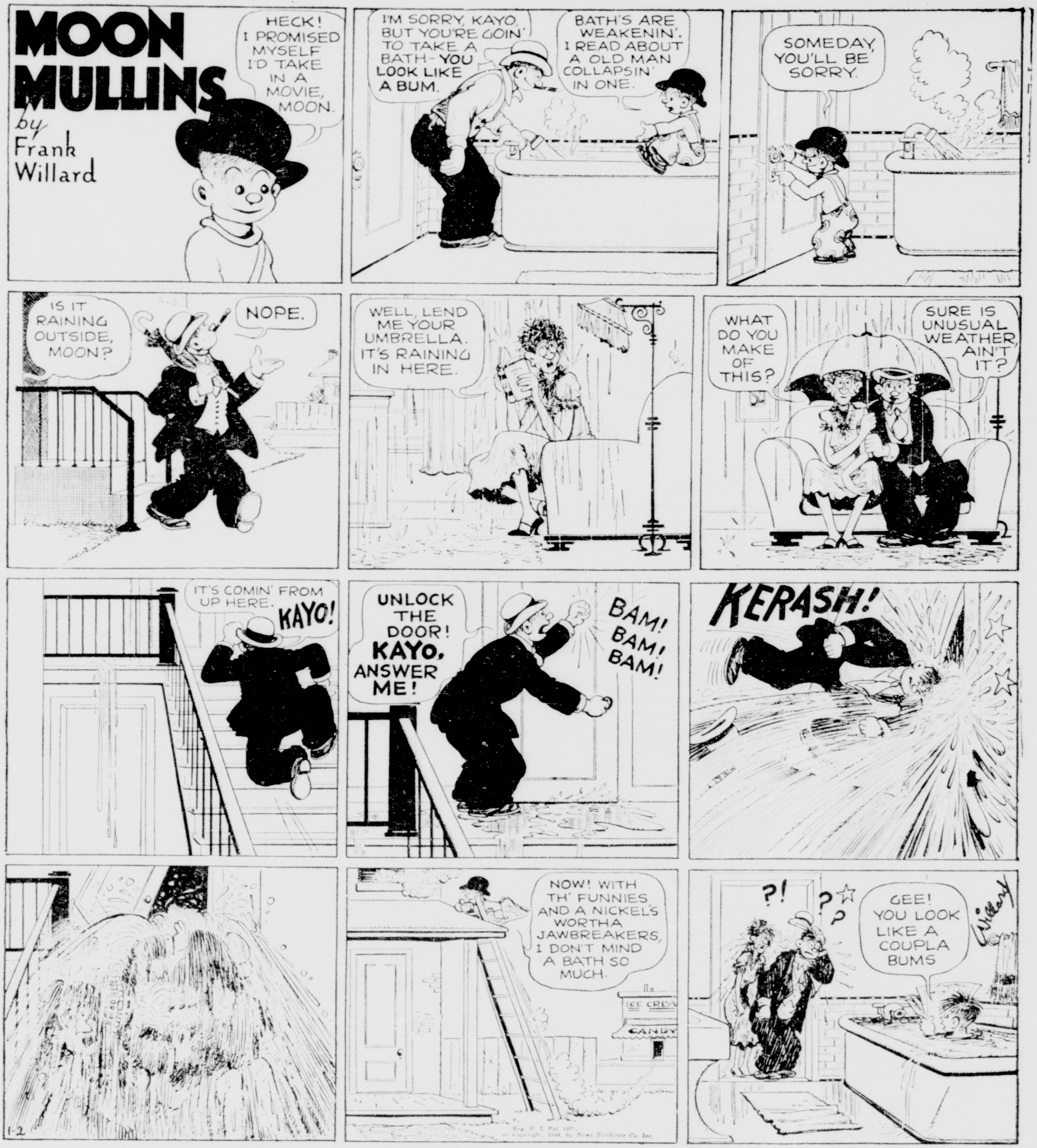

MOON MULLINS
by Frank Willard
HECK! I PROMISED MYSELF I'D TAKE IN A MOVIE, MOON.
I'M SORRY, KAYO, BUT YOU'RE GOIN' TO TAKE A BATH- YOU LOOK LIKE A BUM.
BATH'S ARE WEAKENIN'. I READ ABOUT A OLD MAN COLLAPSIN' IN ONE.
SOMEDAY, YOU'LL BE SORRY.
IS IT RAINING OUTSIDE, MOON?
NOPE.
WELL, LEND ME YOUR UMBRELLA. IT'S RAINING IN HERE.
WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THIS?
SURE IS UNUSUAL WEATHER, AIN'T IT?
IT'S COMIN' FROM UP HERE.
KAYO!
UNLOCK THE DOOR! KAYO, ANSWER ME!
BAM! BAM! BAM!
KERASH!
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NOW! WITH TH' FUNNIES AND A NICKEL'S WORTHA JAWBREAKERS, I DON'T MIND A BATH SO MUCH.
ICE CREA
CANDY
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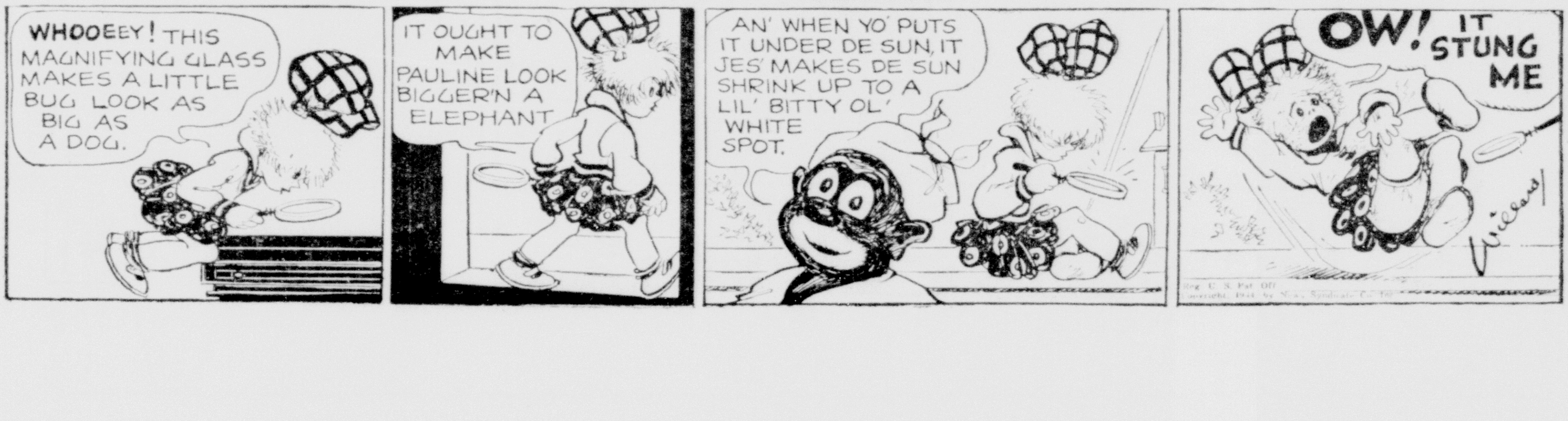
GEE! YOU LOOK LIKE A COUPLA BUMS
Willard

KITTY HIGGINS



WHOOEEY! THIS MAGNIFYING GLASS MAKES A LITTLE BUG LOOK AS BIG AS A DOG.
IT OUGHT TO MAKE PAULINE LOOK BIGGER'N A ELEPHANT
AN' WHEN YO' PUTS IT UNDER DE SUN, IT JES' MAKES DE SUN SHRINK UP TO A LIL' BITTY OL' WHITE SPOT.
OW! IT STUNG ME
Willard
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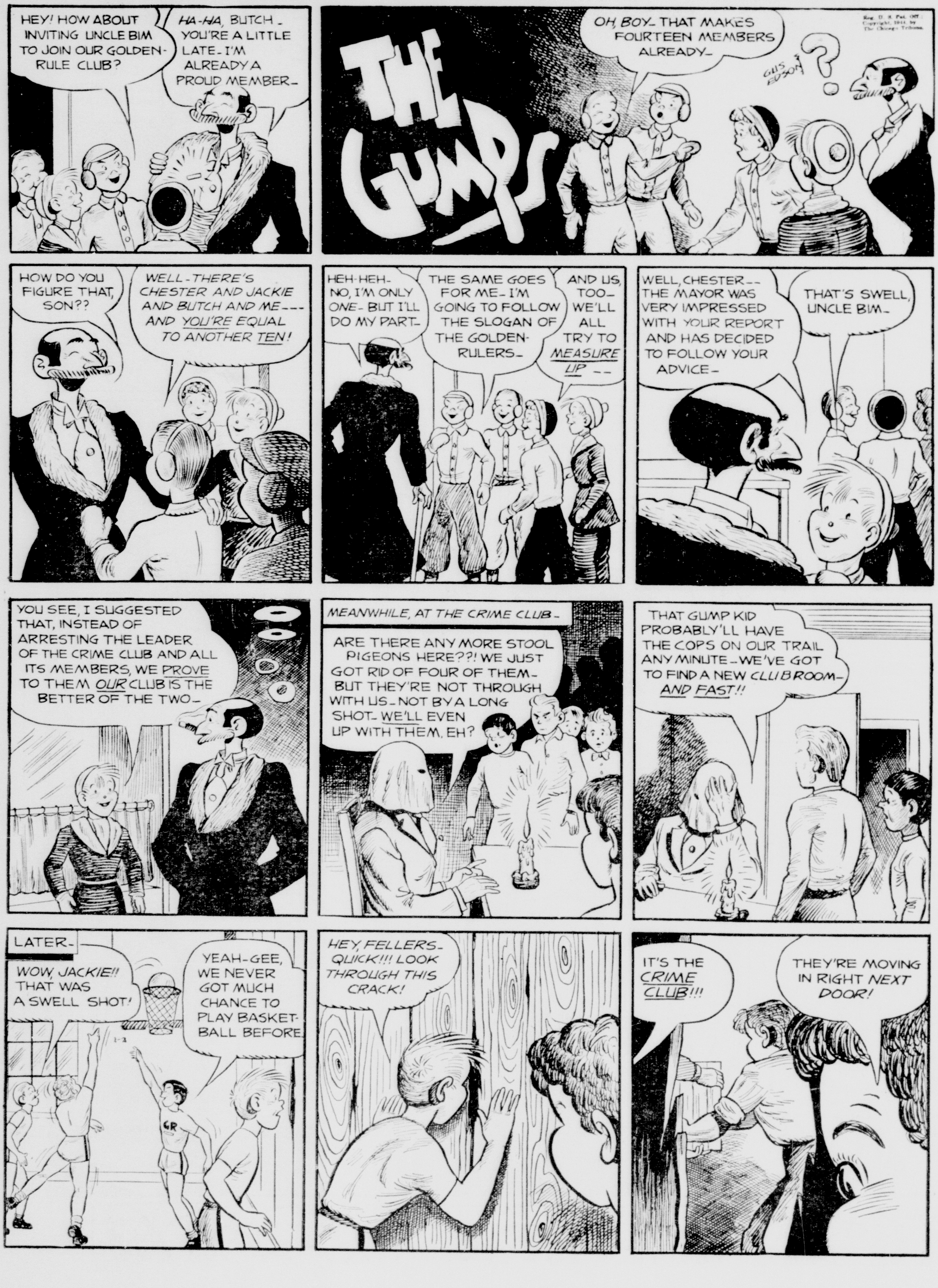
HEY! HOW ABOUT INVITING UNCLE BIM TO JOIN OUR GOLDEN-RULE CLUB?
HA-HA, BUTCH - YOU'RE A LITTLE LATE - I'M ALREADY A PROUD MEMBER -
THE GUMPS
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OH, BOY - THAT MAKES FOURTEEN MEMBERS ALREADY -
GUS EDSON
?
HOW DO YOU FIGURE THAT, SON??
WELL - THERE'S CHESTER AND JACKIE AND BUTCH AND ME --- AND YOU'RE EQUAL TO ANOTHER TEN!
HEH-HEH- NO, I'M ONLY ONE - BUT I'LL DO MY PART -
THE SAME GOES FOR ME - I'M GOING TO FOLLOW THE SLOGAN OF THE GOLDEN-RULERS -
AND US, TOO - WE'LL ALL TRY TO MEASURE UP --
WELL, CHESTER -- THE MAYOR WAS VERY IMPRESSED WITH YOUR REPORT AND HAS DECIDED TO FOLLOW YOUR ADVICE -
THAT'S SWELL, UNCLE BIM -
YOU SEE, I SUGGESTED THAT, INSTEAD OF ARRESTING THE LEADER OF THE CRIME CLUB AND ALL ITS MEMBERS, WE PROVE TO THEM OUR CLUB IS THE BETTER OF THE TWO -
MEANWHILE, AT THE CRIME CLUB -
ARE THERE ANY MORE STOOL PIGEONS HERE??! WE JUST GOT RID OF FOUR OF THEM - BUT THEY'RE NOT THROUGH WITH US - NOT BY A LONG SHOT - WE'LL EVEN UP WITH THEM, EH?
THAT GUMP KID PROBABLY'LL HAVE THE COPS ON OUR TRAIL ANY MINUTE - WE'VE GOT TO FIND A NEW CLUB ROOM - AND FAST!!
LATER -
WOW, JACKIE!! THAT WAS A SWELL SHOT!
YEAH - GEE, WE NEVER GOT MUCH CHANCE TO PLAY BASKET-BALL BEFORE
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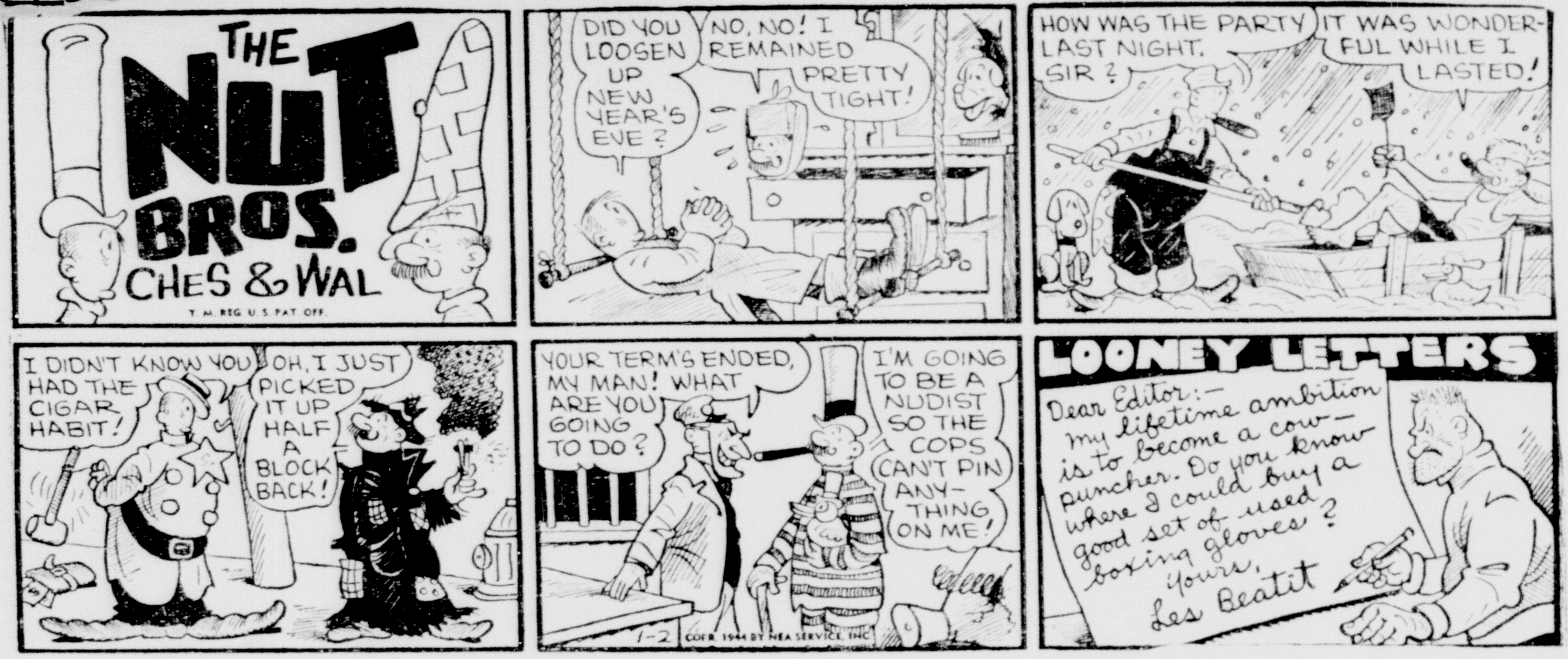
HEY, FELLERS - QUICK!!! LOOK THROUGH THIS CRACK!
IT'S THE CRIME CLUB!!!
THEY'RE MOVING IN RIGHT NEXT DOOR!


THE NUT BROS.
CHES & WAL
T. M. REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.
DID YOU LOOSEN UP NEW YEAR'S EVE?
NO, NO! I REMAINED PRETTY TIGHT!
HOW WAS THE PARTY LAST NIGHT, SIR?
IT WAS WONDERFUL WHILE I LASTED!
I DIDN'T KNOW YOU HAD THE CIGAR HABIT!
OH, I JUST PICKED IT UP HALF A BLOCK BACK!
YOUR TERM'S ENDED, MY MAN! WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?
I'M GOING TO BE A NUDIST SO THE COPS CAN'T PIN ANYTHING ON ME!
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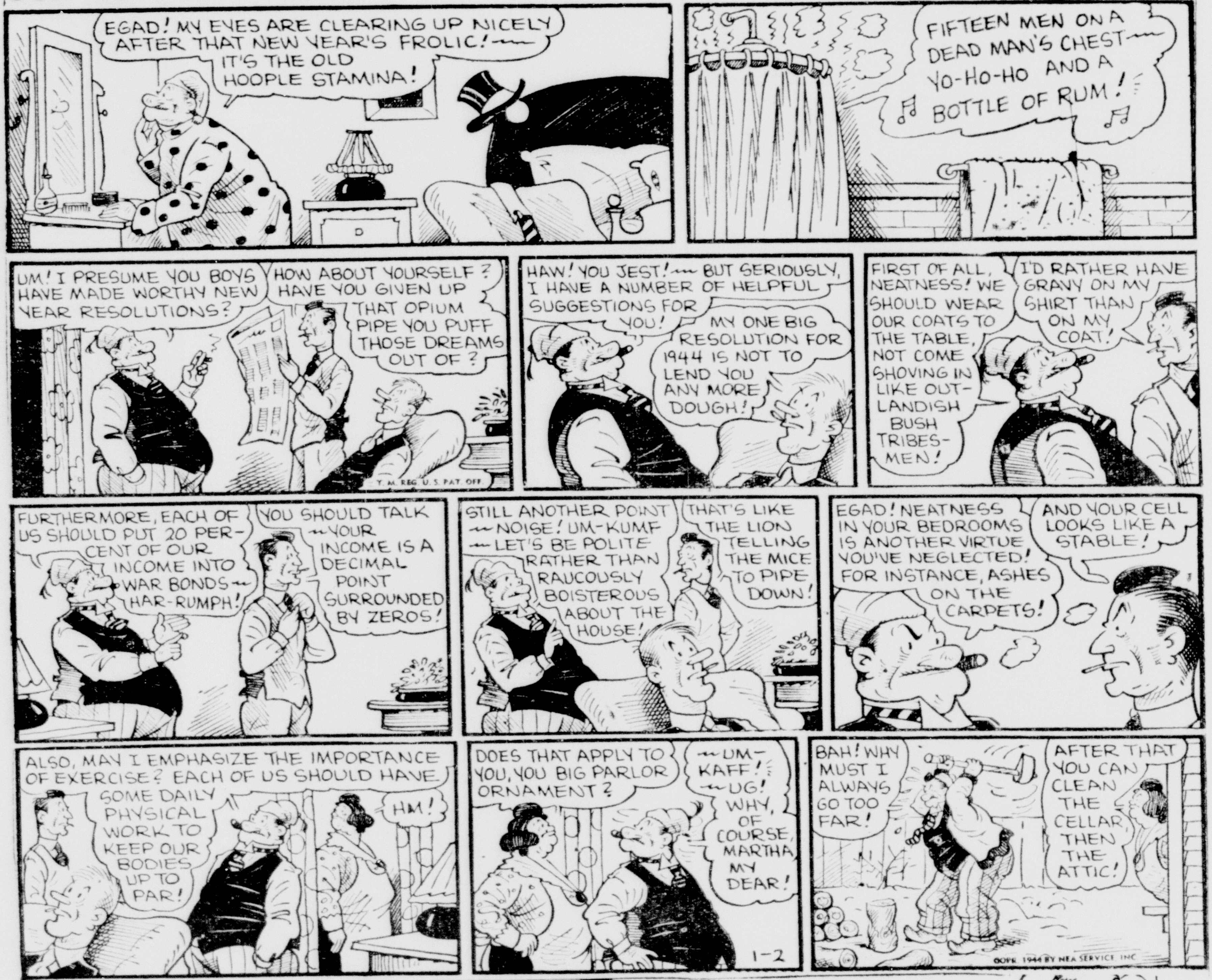
LOONEY LETTERS
Dear Editor:— my lifetime ambition is to become a cow-puncher. Do you know where I could buy a good set of used boxing gloves? Yours, Les Beatit

OUR BOARDING HOUSE

MAJOR HOOPLE


EGAD! MY EYES ARE CLEARING UP NICELY AFTER THAT NEW YEAR'S FROLIC!— IT'S THE OLD HOOPLE STAMINA!
FIFTEEN MEN ON A DEAD MAN'S CHEST— YO-HO-HO AND A BOTTLE OF RUM!
UM! I PRESUME YOU BOYS HAVE MADE WORTHY NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS?
HOW ABOUT YOURSELF? HAVE YOU GIVEN UP THAT OPIUM PIPE YOU PUFF THOSE DREAMS OUT OF?
T. M. REG. U. S. PAT. OFF.
HAW! YOU JEST!— BUT SERIOUSLY, I HAVE A NUMBER OF HELPFUL SUGGESTIONS FOR YOU!
MY ONE BIG RESOLUTION FOR 1944 IS NOT TO LEND YOU ANY MORE DOUGH!
FIRST OF ALL, NEATNESS! WE SHOULD WEAR OUR COATS TO THE TABLE, NOT COME SHOVING IN LIKE OUTLANDISH BUSH TRIBESMEN!
I'D RATHER HAVE GRAVY ON MY SHIRT THAN ON MY COAT!
FURTHERMORE, EACH OF US SHOULD PUT 20 PERCENT OF OUR INCOME INTO WAR BONDS— HAR-RUMPH!
YOU SHOULD TALK— YOUR INCOME IS A DECIMAL POINT SURROUNDED BY ZEROS!
STILL ANOTHER POINT— NOISE! UM-KUMF— LET'S BE POLITE RATHER THAN RAUCOUSLY BOISTEROUS ABOUT THE HOUSE!
THAT'S LIKE THE LION TELLING THE MICE TO PIPE DOWN!
EGAD! NEATNESS IN YOUR BEDROOMS IS ANOTHER VIRTUE YOU'VE NEGLECTED! FOR INSTANCE, ASHES ON THE CARPETS!
AND YOUR CELL LOOKS LIKE A STABLE!
ALSO, MAY I EMPHASIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF EXERCISE? EACH OF US SHOULD HAVE SOME DAILY PHYSICAL WORK TO KEEP OUR BODIES UP TO PAR!
HM!
DOES THAT APPLY TO YOU, YOU BIG PARLOR ORNAMENT?
— UM-KAFF! — UG! WHY, OF COURSE, MARTHA, MY DEAR!
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BAH! WHY MUST I ALWAYS GO TOO FAR!
AFTER THAT YOU CAN CLEAN THE CELLAR, THEN THE ATTIC!
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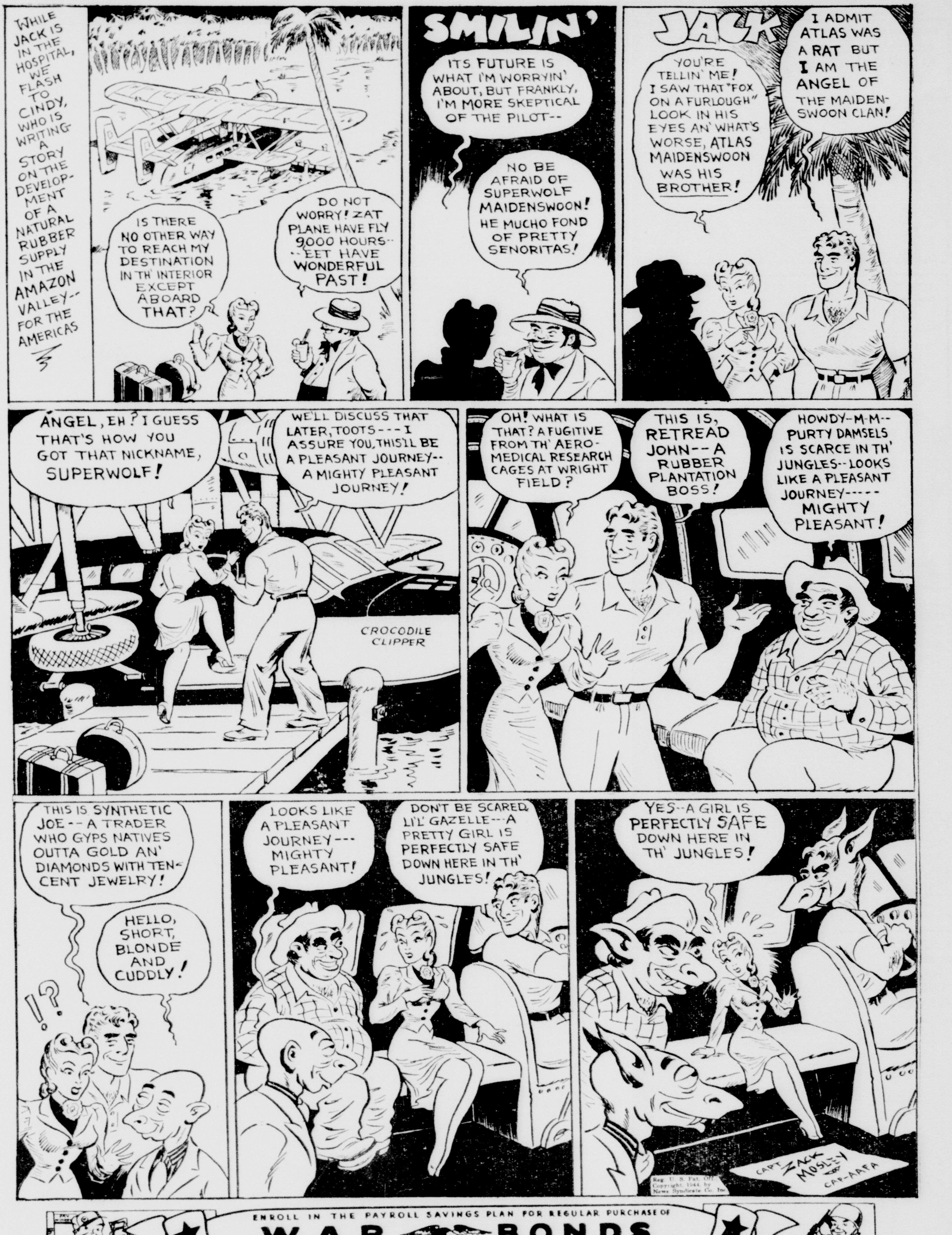
PAY WINDOW
WAR BONDS
Buy WAR BONDS — TOP THAT 10% BY NEW YEARS


SMILIN' JACK
WHILE JACK IS IN THE HOSPITAL, WE FLASH TO CINDY, WHO IS WRITING A STORY ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NATURAL RUBBER SUPPLY IN THE AMAZON VALLEY--FOR THE AMERICAS
IS THERE NO OTHER WAY TO REACH MY DESTINATION IN TH' INTERIOR EXCEPT ABOARD THAT?
DO NOT WORRY! ZAT PLANE HAVE FLY 9000 HOURS--EET HAVE WONDERFUL PAST!
ITS FUTURE IS WHAT I'M WORRYIN' ABOUT, BUT FRANKLY, I'M MORE SKEPTICAL OF THE PILOT--
NO BE AFRAID OF SUPERWOLF MAIDENSWOON! HE MUCHO FOND OF PRETTY SENORITAS!
YOU'RE TELLIN' ME! I SAW THAT "FOX ON A FURLOUGH" LOOK IN HIS EYES AN' WHAT'S WORSE, ATLAS MAIDENSWOON WAS HIS BROTHER!
I ADMIT ATLAS WAS A RAT BUT I AM THE ANGEL OF THE MAIDEN-SWOON CLAN!
ANGEL, EH? I GUESS THAT'S HOW YOU GOT THAT NICKNAME, SUPERWOLF!
WE'LL DISCUSS THAT LATER, TOOTS---I ASSURE YOU, THIS'LL BE A PLEASANT JOURNEY--A MIGHTY PLEASANT JOURNEY!
CROCODILE CLIPPER
OH! WHAT IS THAT? A FUGITIVE FROM TH' AERO-MEDICAL RESEARCH CAGES AT WRIGHT FIELD?
THIS IS, RETREAD JOHN--A RUBBER PLANTATION BOSS!
HOWDY-M-M--PURTY DAMSELS IS SCARCE IN TH' JUNGLES--LOOKS LIKE A PLEASANT JOURNEY-----MIGHTY PLEASANT!
THIS IS SYNTHETIC JOE--A TRADER WHO GYPS NATIVES OUTTA GOLD AN' DIAMONDS WITH TEN-CENT JEWELRY!
HELLO, SHORT, BLONDE AND CUDDLY!
!?
LOOKS LIKE A PLEASANT JOURNEY---MIGHTY PLEASANT!
DON'T BE SCARED, LI'L' GAZELLE---A PRETTY GIRL IS PERFECTLY SAFE DOWN HERE IN TH' JUNGLES!
YES--A GIRL IS PERFECTLY SAFE DOWN HERE IN TH' JUNGLES!
CAPT ZACK MOSLEY CAP-AAFA
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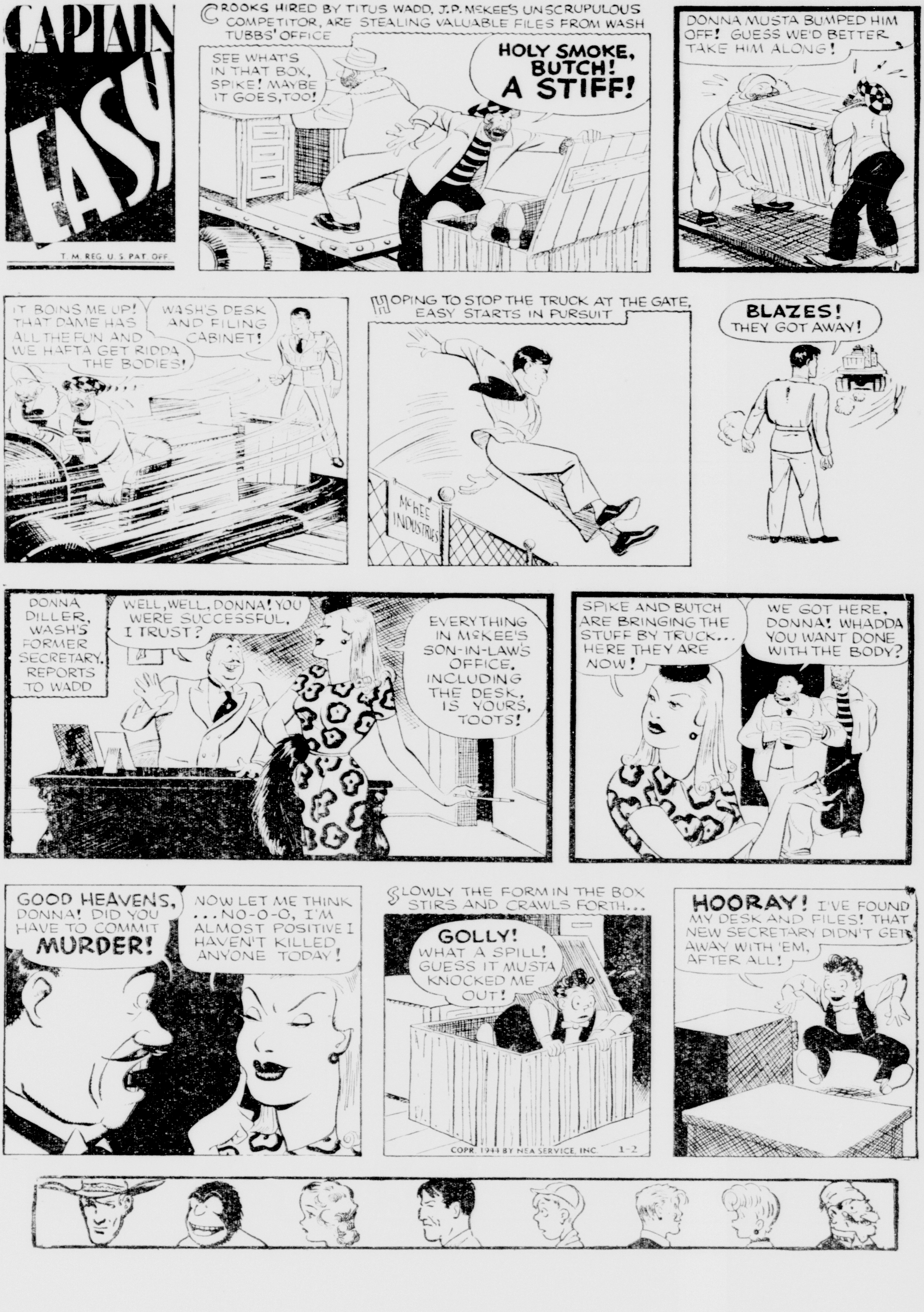
ENROLL IN THE PAYROLL SAVINGS PLAN FOR REGULAR PURCHASE OF
WAR BONDS
TOP THAT 10% BY NEW YEAR'S


CAPTAIN EASY
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CROOKS HIRED BY TITUS WADD, J.P. McKEE'S UNSCRUPULOUS COMPETITOR, ARE STEALING VALUABLE FILES FROM WASH TUBBS' OFFICE
SEE WHAT'S IN THAT BOX, SPIKE! MAYBE IT GOES, TOO!
HOLY SMOKE, BUTCH! A STIFF!
DONNA MUSTA BUMPED HIM OFF! GUESS WE'D BETTER TAKE HIM ALONG!
IT BOINS ME UP! THAT DAME HAS ALL THE FUN AND WE HAFTA GET RIDDA THE BODIES!
WASH'S DESK AND FILING CABINET!
HOPING TO STOP THE TRUCK AT THE GATE, EASY STARTS IN PURSUIT
McKEE INDUSTRIES
BLAZES! THEY GOT AWAY!
DONNA DILLER, WASH'S FORMER SECRETARY, REPORTS TO WADD
WELL, WELL, DONNA! YOU WERE SUCCESSFUL, I TRUST?
EVERYTHING IN McKEE'S SON-IN-LAW'S OFFICE, INCLUDING THE DESK, IS YOURS, TOOTS!
SPIKE AND BUTCH ARE BRINGING THE STUFF BY TRUCK... HERE THEY ARE NOW!
WE GOT HERE, DONNA! WHADDA YOU WANT DONE WITH THE BODY?
GOOD HEAVENS, DONNA! DID YOU HAVE TO COMMIT MURDER!
NOW LET ME THINK ... NO-O-O, I'M ALMOST POSITIVE I HAVEN'T KILLED ANYONE TODAY!
SLOWLY THE FORM IN THE BOX STIRS AND CRAWLS FORTH...
GOLLY! WHAT A SPILL! GUESS IT MUSTA KNOCKED ME OUT!
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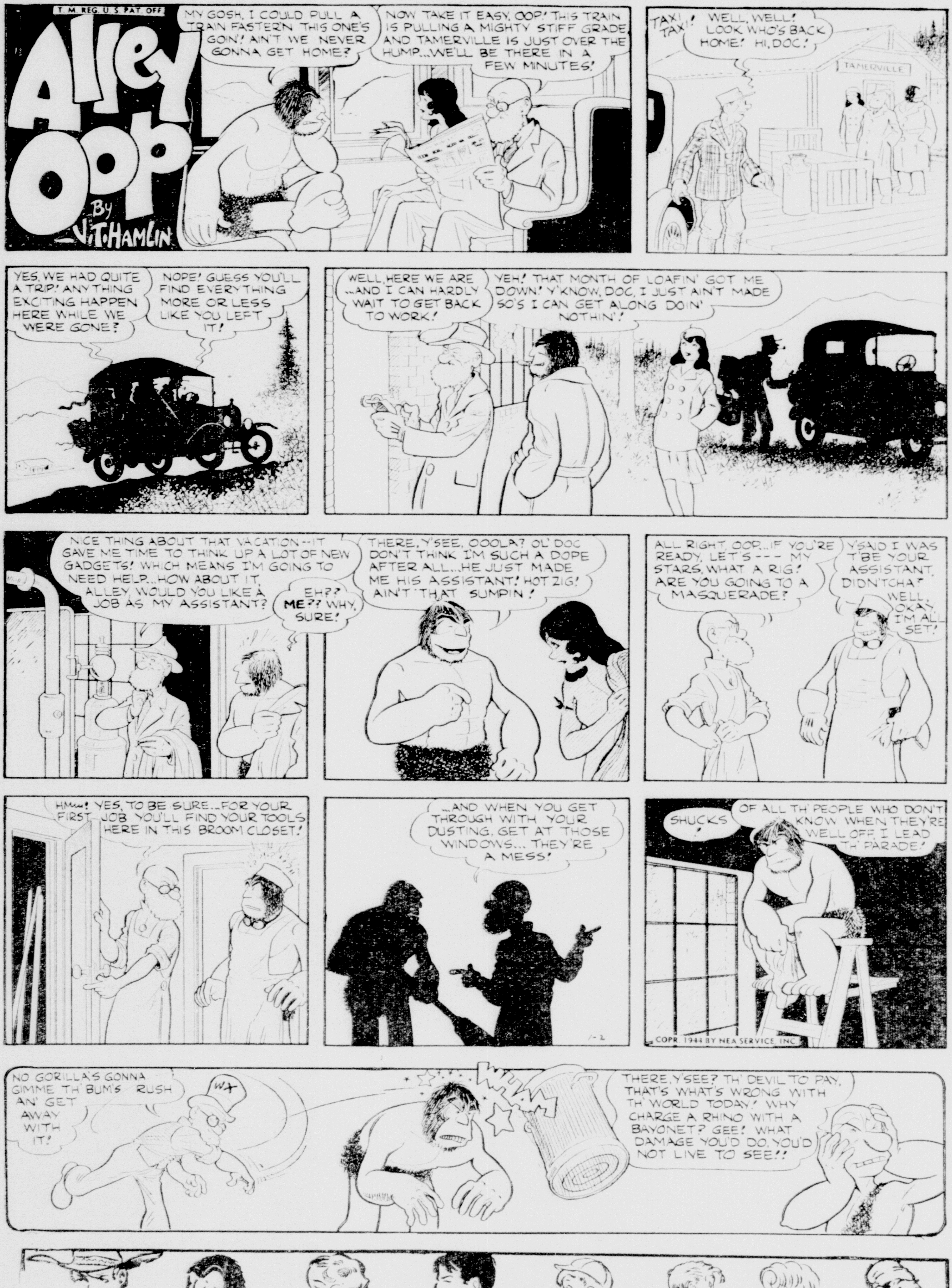
HOORAY! I'VE FOUND MY DESK AND FILES! THAT NEW SECRETARY DIDN'T GET AWAY WITH 'EM, AFTER ALL!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Alley Oop
By V.T. HAMLIN
MY GOSH, I COULD PULL A TRAIN FASTER'N THIS ONE'S GOIN'! AIN'T WE NEVER GONNA GET HOME?
NOW TAKE IT EASY, OOP! THIS TRAIN IS PULLING A MIGHTY STIFF GRADE AND TAMERVILLE IS JUST OVER THE HUMP... WE'LL BE THERE IN A FEW MINUTES!
TAXI! TAXI!
WELL, WELL! LOOK WHO'S BACK HOME! HI, DOC!
TAMERVILLE
YES, WE HAD QUITE A TRIP! ANYTHING EXCITING HAPPEN HERE WHILE WE WERE GONE?
NOPE! GUESS YOU'LL FIND EVERYTHING MORE OR LESS LIKE YOU LEFT IT!
WELL, HERE WE ARE ...AND I CAN HARDLY WAIT TO GET BACK TO WORK!
YEH! THAT MONTH OF LOAFIN' GOT ME DOWN! Y'KNOW, DOC, I JUST AIN'T MADE SO'S I CAN GET ALONG DOIN' NOTHIN'!
NICE THING ABOUT THAT VACATION--IT GAVE ME TIME TO THINK UP A LOT OF NEW GADGETS! WHICH MEANS I'M GOING TO NEED HELP...HOW ABOUT IT, ALLEY, WOULD YOU LIKE A JOB AS MY ASSISTANT?
EH?? ME?? WHY, SURE!
THERE, Y'SEE, OOOLA? OL' DOC DON'T THINK I'M SUCH A DOPE AFTER ALL...HE JUST MADE ME HIS ASSISTANT! HOT ZIG! AIN'T THAT SUMPIN'!
ALL RIGHT, OOP...IF YOU'RE READY, LET'S--- MY STARS, WHAT A RIG! ARE YOU GOING TO A MASQUERADE?
Y'SAID I WAS T'BE YOUR ASSISTANT, DIDN'TCHA? WELL, OKAY, I'M ALL SET!
HMmm! YES, TO BE SURE...FOR YOUR FIRST JOB YOU'LL FIND YOUR TOOLS HERE IN THIS BROOM CLOSET!
...AND WHEN YOU GET THROUGH WITH YOUR DUSTING, GET AT THOSE WINDOWS... THEY'RE A MESS!
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SHUCKS!
OF ALL TH' PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW WHEN THEY'RE WELL OFF, I LEAD TH' PARADE!
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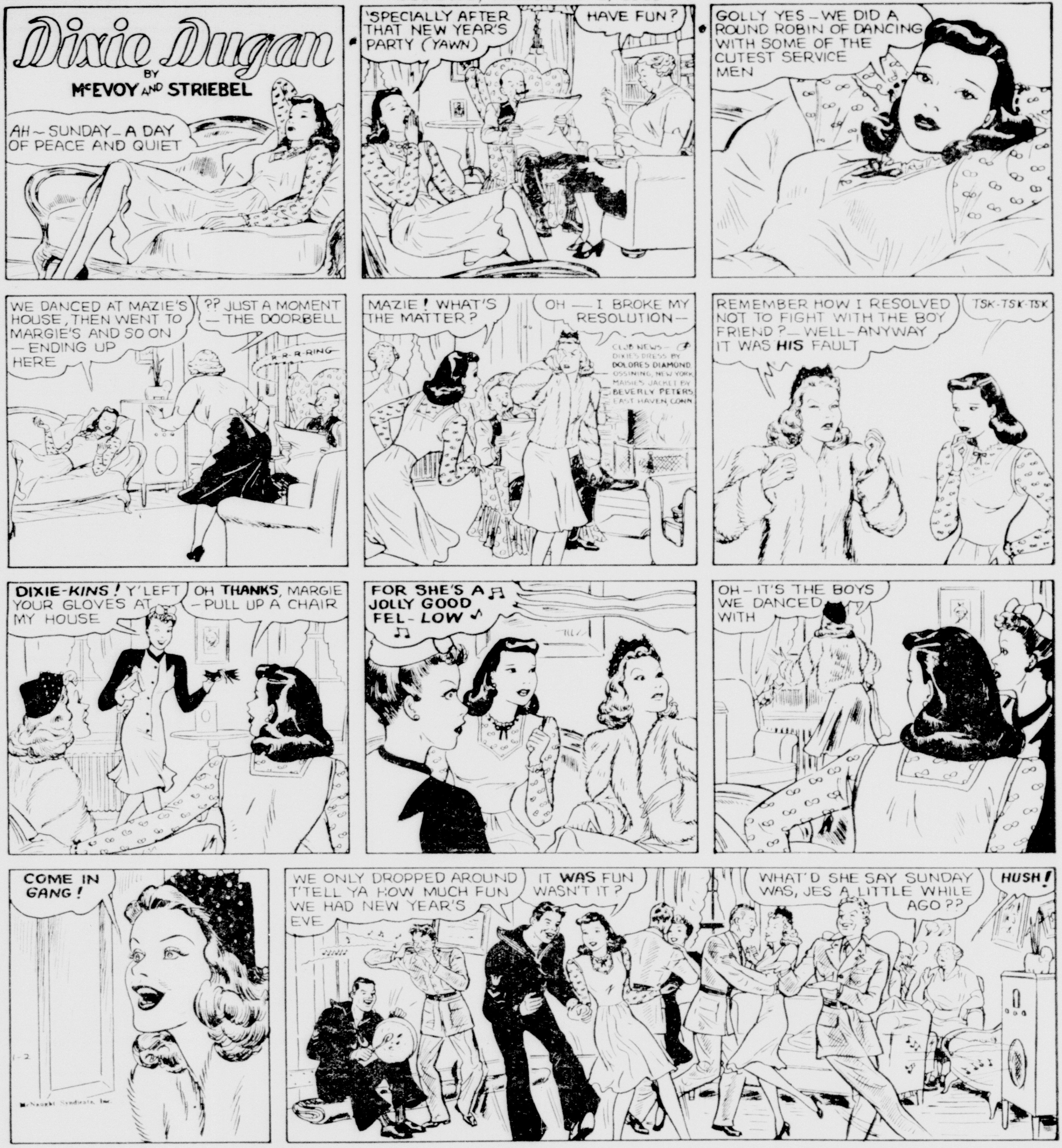
NO GORILLA'S GONNA GIMME TH' BUM'S RUSH AN' GET AWAY WITH IT!
WX
WHAM
THERE, Y'SEE? TH' DEVIL TO PAY, THAT'S WHAT'S WRONG WITH TH' WORLD TODAY! WHY CHARGE A RHINO WITH A BAYONET? GEE! WHAT DAMAGE YOU'D DO, YOU'D NOT LIVE TO SEE!!


Dixie Dugan
BY
McEVOY AND STRIEBEL
AH ~ SUNDAY – A DAY OF PEACE AND QUIET
'SPECIALLY AFTER THAT NEW YEAR'S PARTY (YAWN)
HAVE FUN ?
GOLLY YES – WE DID A ROUND ROBIN OF DANCING WITH SOME OF THE CUTEST SERVICE MEN
WE DANCED AT MAZIE'S HOUSE, THEN WENT TO MARGIE'S AND SO ON – ENDING UP HERE
?? JUST A MOMENT – THE DOORBELL
R-R-R-RING
MAZIE ! WHAT'S THE MATTER ?
OH — I BROKE MY RESOLUTION —
CLUB NEWS — DIXIE'S DRESS BY DOLORES DIAMOND OSSINING, NEW YORK MAISIE'S JACKET BY BEVERLY PETERS EAST HAVEN, CONN.
REMEMBER HOW I RESOLVED NOT TO FIGHT WITH THE BOY FRIEND ? — WELL – ANYWAY IT WAS HIS FAULT
TSK-TSK-TSK
DIXIE-KINS ! Y'LEFT YOUR GLOVES AT MY HOUSE
OH THANKS, MARGIE – PULL UP A CHAIR
FOR SHE'S A JOLLY GOOD FEL-LOW
OH – IT'S THE BOYS WE DANCED WITH
COME IN GANG !
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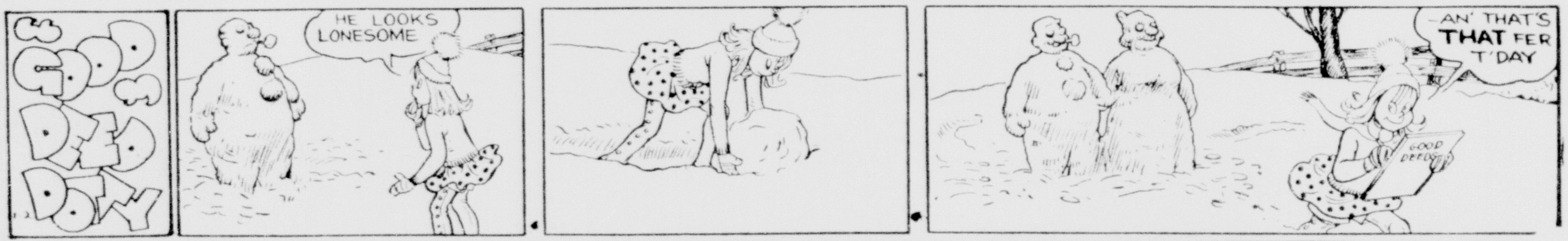
WE ONLY DROPPED AROUND T'TELL YA HOW MUCH FUN WE HAD NEW YEAR'S EVE
IT WAS FUN WASN'T IT ?
WHAT'D SHE SAY SUNDAY WAS, JES A LITTLE WHILE AGO ??
HUSH !


GOOD DEED DOTTY
HE LOOKS LONESOME
—AN' THAT'S THAT FER T'DAY
GOOD DEEDS

JOE PALOOKA

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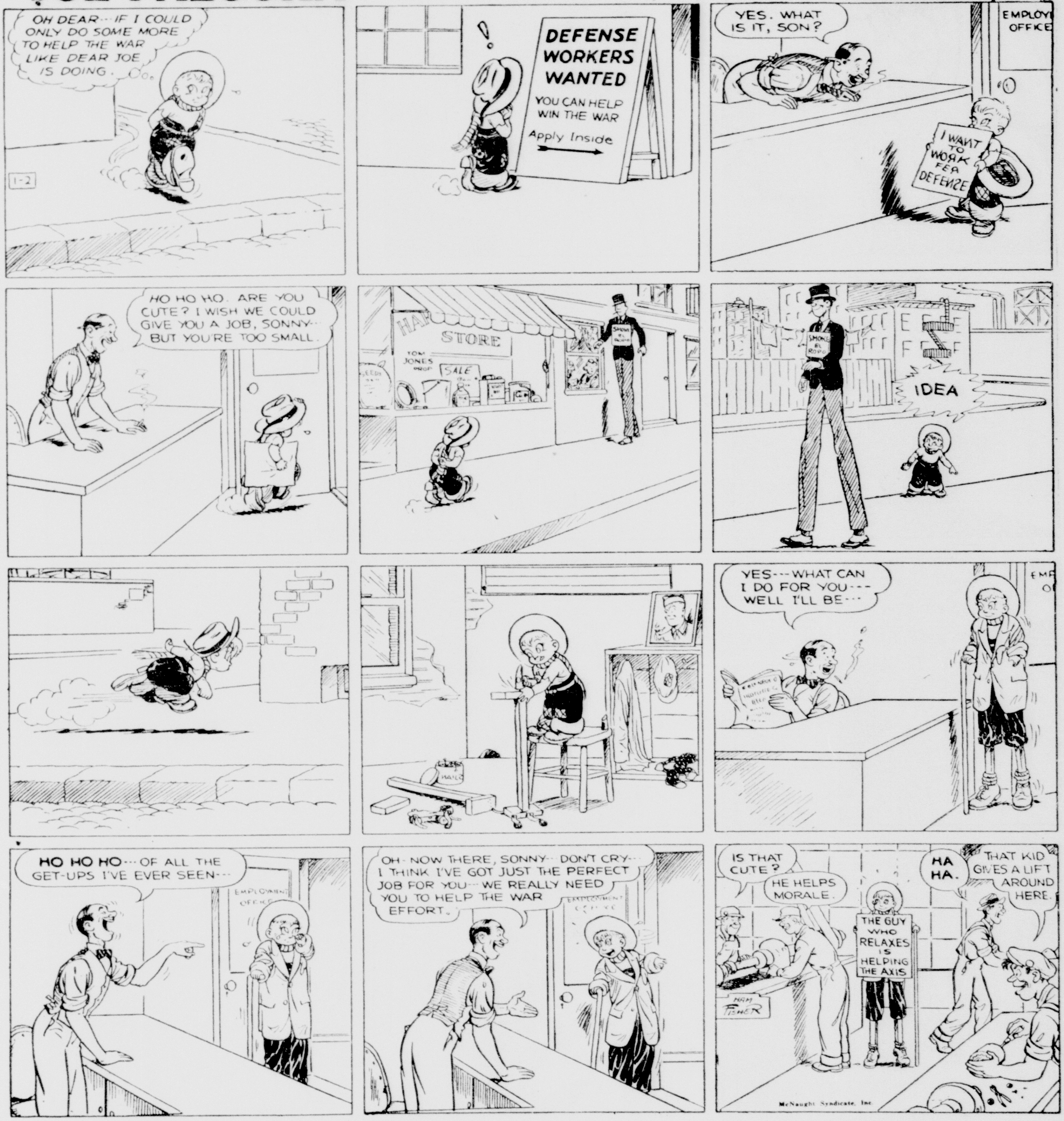
By HAM FISHER


OH DEAR--- IF I COULD ONLY DO SOME MORE TO HELP THE WAR LIKE DEAR JOE IS DOING.
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!
DEFENSE WORKERS WANTED
YOU CAN HELP WIN THE WAR
Apply Inside
YES. WHAT IS IT, SON?
EMPLOY OFFICE
I WANT TO WORK FER DEFENSE
HO HO HO. ARE YOU CUTE? I WISH WE COULD GIVE YOU A JOB, SONNY--- BUT YOU'RE TOO SMALL.
STORE
TOM JONES PROP
SALE
IDEA
YES--- WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU--- WELL I'LL BE---
HO HO HO--- OF ALL THE GET-UPS I'VE EVER SEEN---
EMPLOYMENT OFFICE
OH- NOW THERE, SONNY--- DON'T CRY--- I THINK I'VE GOT JUST THE PERFECT JOB FOR YOU--- WE REALLY NEED YOU TO HELP THE WAR EFFORT.
IS THAT CUTE?
HE HELPS MORALE.
HA HA.
THAT KID GIVES A LIFT AROUND HERE.
THE GUY WHO RELAXES IS HELPING THE AXIS
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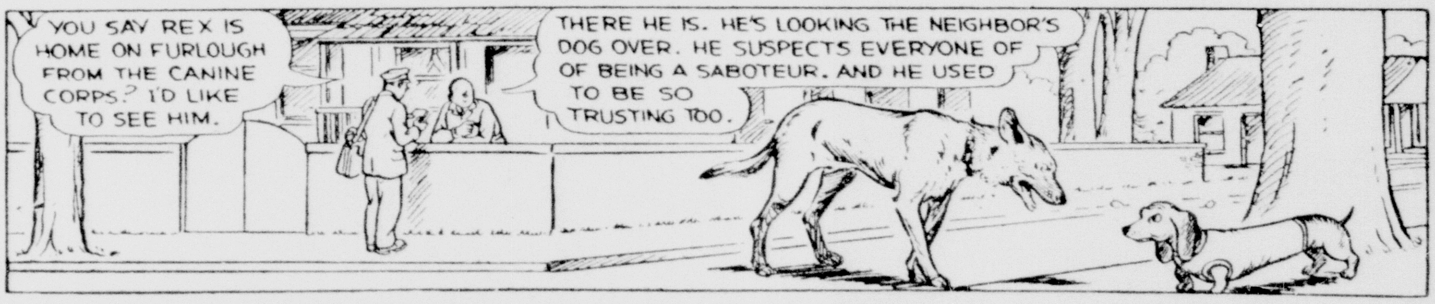
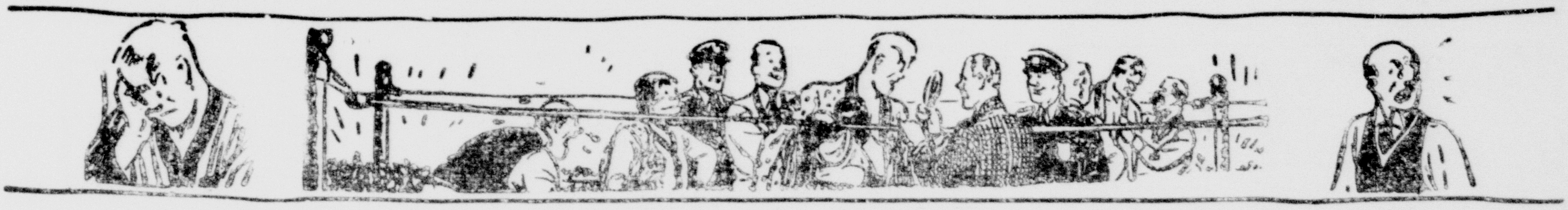
FISHER'S WARTIME ANECDOTES


YOU SAY REX IS HOME ON FURLOUGH FROM THE CANINE CORPS? I'D LIKE TO SEE HIM.
THERE HE IS. HE'S LOOKING THE NEIGHBOR'S DOG OVER. HE SUSPECTS EVERYONE OF OF BEING A SABOTEUR. AND HE USED TO BE SO TRUSTING TOO.



FLASH GORDON

BY ALEX RAYMOND

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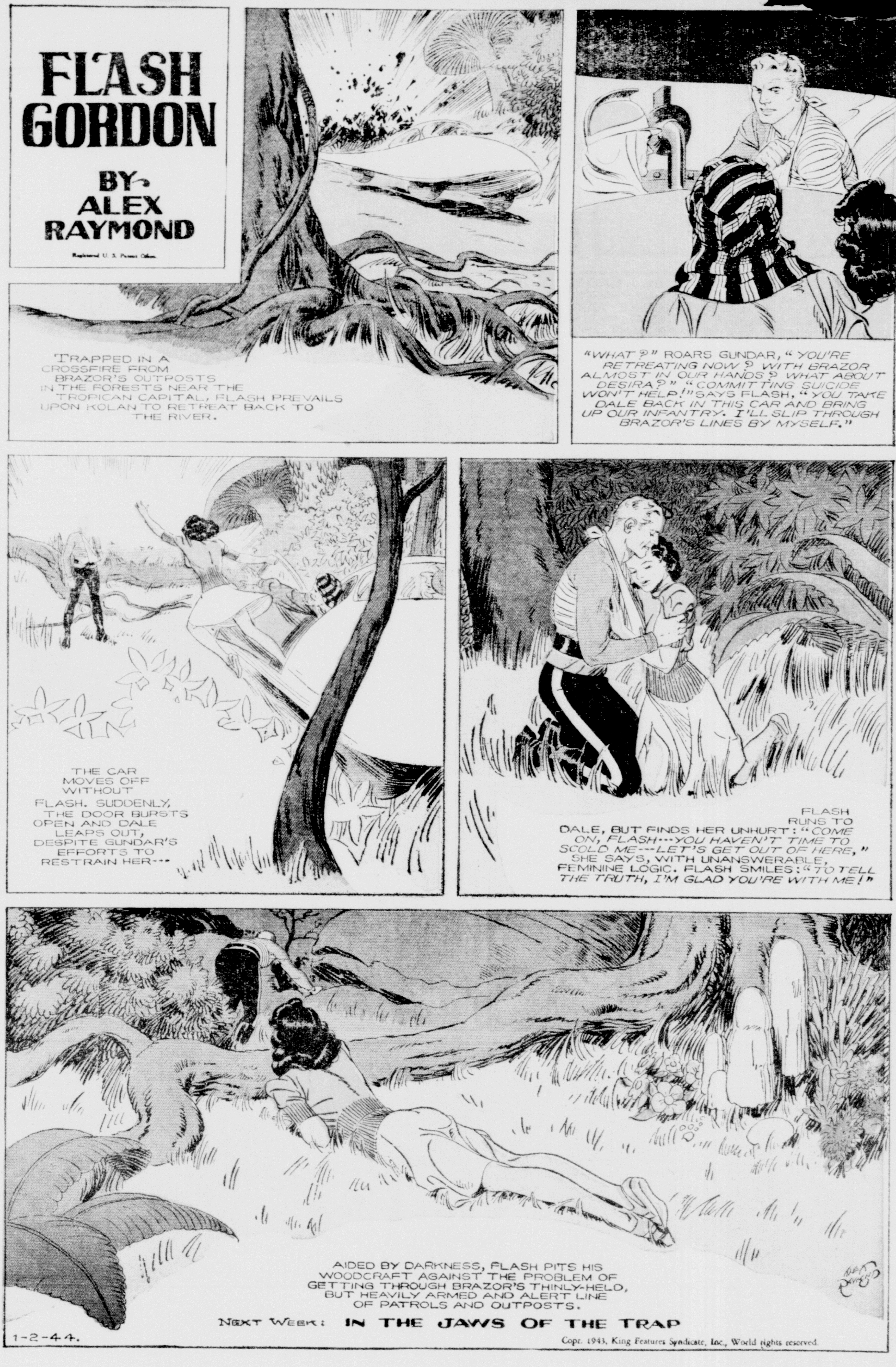

TRAPPED IN A CROSSFIRE FROM BRAZOR'S OUTPOSTS IN THE FORESTS NEAR THE TROPICAN CAPITAL, FLASH PREVAILS UPON KOLAN TO RETREAT BACK TO THE RIVER.

"WHAT?" ROARS GUNDAR, "YOU'RE RETREATING NOW? WITH BRAZOR ALMOST IN OUR HANDS? WHAT ABOUT DESIRA?" "COMMITTING SUICIDE WON'T HELP!" SAYS FLASH, "YOU TAKE DALE BACK IN THIS CAR AND BRING UP OUR INFANTRY. I'LL SLIP THROUGH BRAZOR'S LINES BY MYSELF."

THE CAR MOVES OFF WITHOUT FLASH. SUDDENLY, THE DOOR BURSTS OPEN AND DALE LEAPS OUT, DESPITE GUNDAR'S EFFORTS TO RESTRAIN HER---

FLASH RUNS TO DALE, BUT FINDS HER UNHURT: "COME ON, FLASH--- YOU HAVEN'T TIME TO SCOLD ME---LET'S GET OUT OF HERE," SHE SAYS, WITH UNANSWERABLE, FEMININE LOGIC. FLASH SMILES: "TO TELL THE TRUTH, I'M GLAD YOU'RE WITH ME!"

AIDED BY DARKNESS, FLASH PITS HIS WOODCRAFT AGAINST THE PROBLEM OF GETTING THROUGH BRAZOR'S THINLY-HELD, BUT HEAVILY ARMED AND ALERT LINE OF PATROLS AND OUTPOSTS.

NEXT WEEK: **IN THE JAWS OF THE TRAP**

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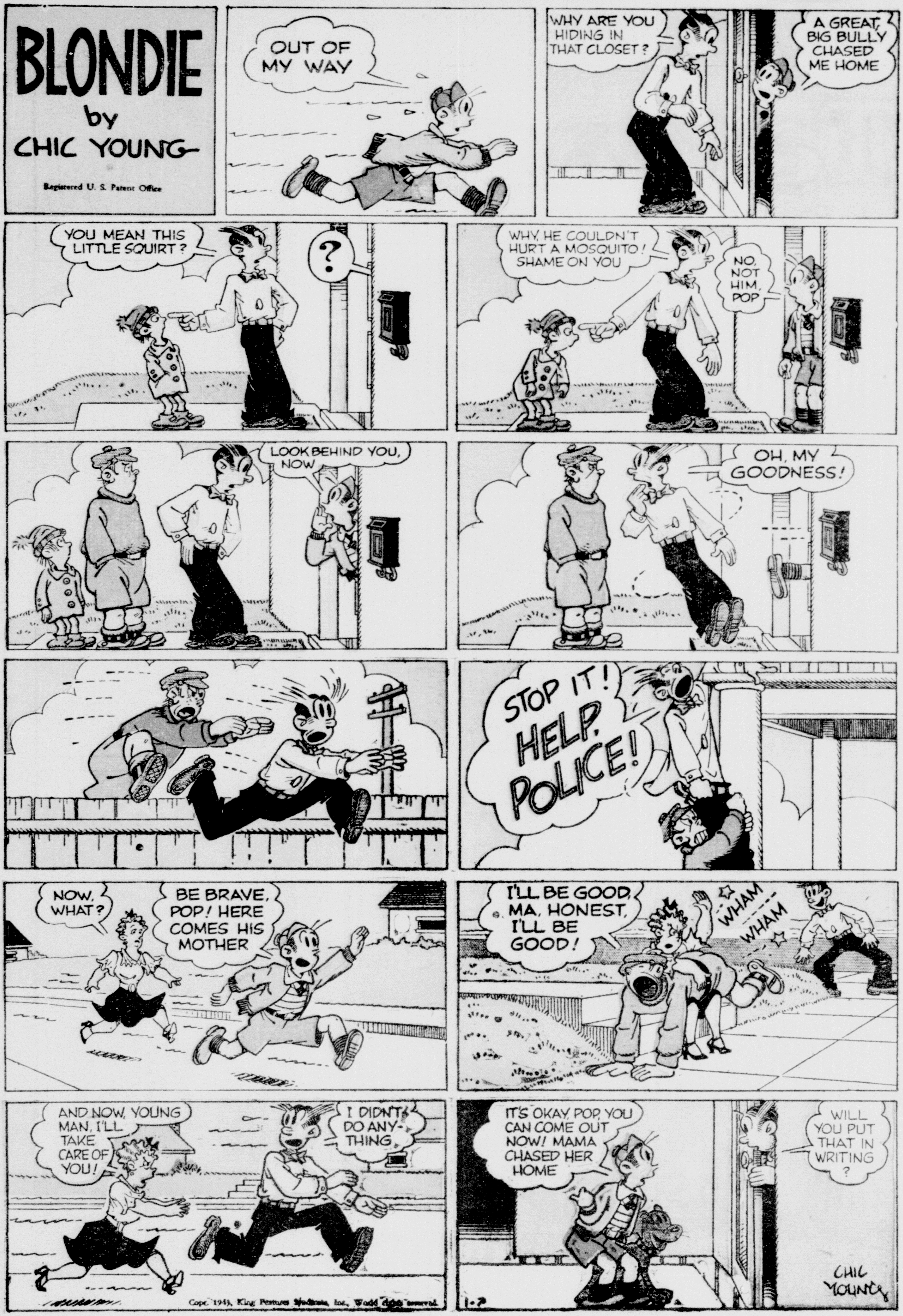
BLONDIE
by
CHIC YOUNG
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OUT OF MY WAY
WHY ARE YOU HIDING IN THAT CLOSET?
A GREAT, BIG BULLY CHASED ME HOME
YOU MEAN THIS LITTLE SQUIRT?
?
WHY, HE COULDN'T HURT A MOSQUITO! SHAME ON YOU
NO, NOT HIM, POP
LOOK BEHIND YOU, NOW
OH, MY GOODNESS!
STOP IT! HELP, POLICE!
NOW, WHAT?
BE BRAVE, POP! HERE COMES HIS MOTHER
I'LL BE GOOD, MA, HONEST, I'LL BE GOOD!
WHAM
WHAM
AND NOW, YOUNG MAN, I'LL TAKE CARE OF YOU!
I DIDN'T DO ANY-THING
IT'S OKAY, POP, YOU CAN COME OUT NOW! MAMA CHASED HER HOME
WILL YOU PUT THAT IN WRITING?
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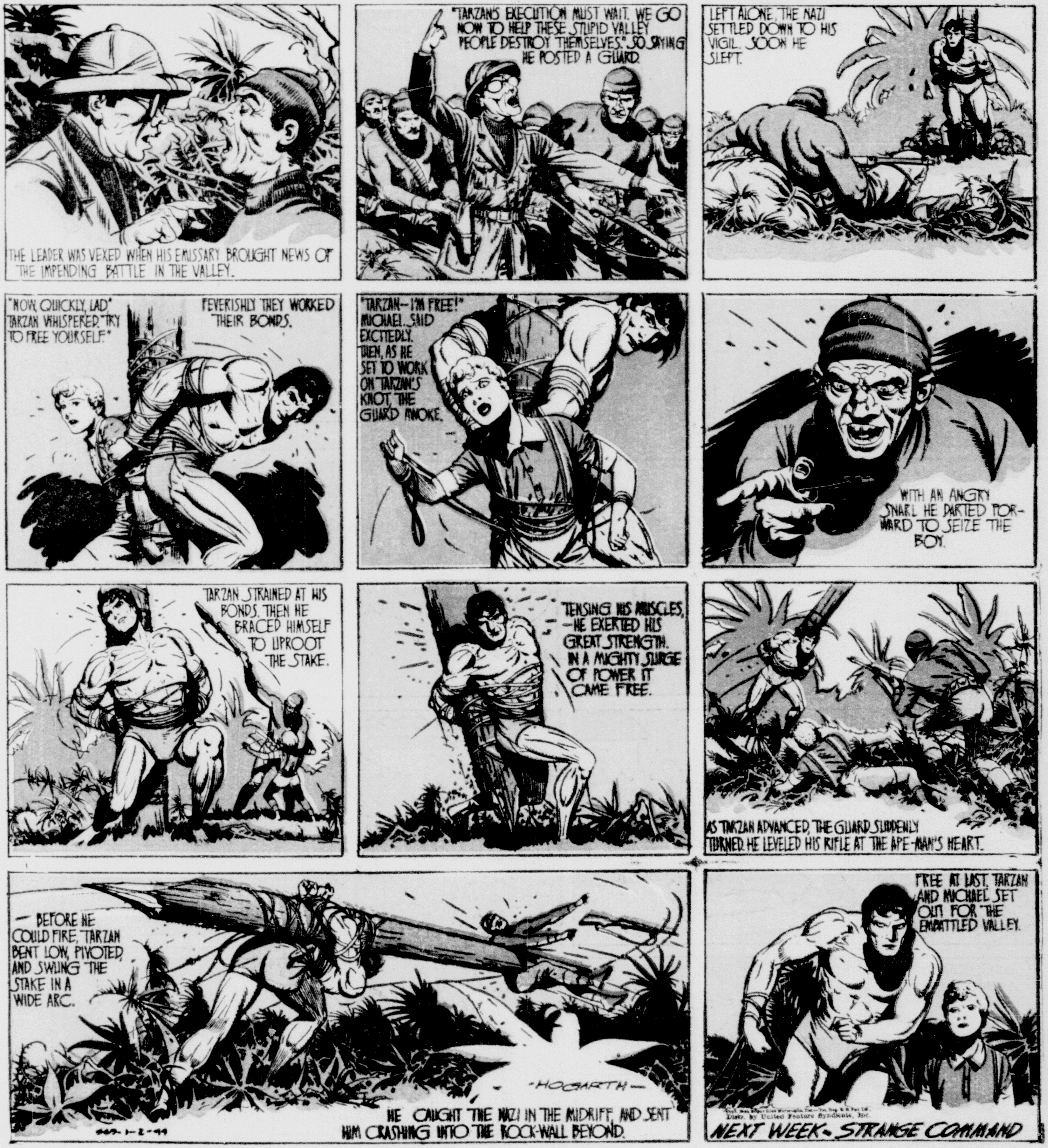
Tarzan

by EDGAR RICE BURROUGHS

BREAK FOR FREEDOM


THE LEADER WAS VEXED WHEN HIS EMISSARY BROUGHT NEWS OF THE IMPENDING BATTLE IN THE VALLEY.
"TARZAN'S EXECUTION MUST WAIT. WE GO NOW TO HELP THESE STUPID VALLEY PEOPLE DESTROY THEMSELVES." SO SAYING HE POSTED A GUARD.
LEFT ALONE, THE NAZI SETTLED DOWN TO HIS VIGIL. SOON HE SLEPT.
"NOW, QUICKLY, LAD" TARZAN WHISPERED. "TRY TO FREE YOURSELF."
FEVERISHLY THEY WORKED THEIR BONDS.
"TARZAN—I'M FREE!" MICHAEL SAID EXCITEDLY. THEN, AS HE SET TO WORK ON TARZAN'S KNOT, THE GUARD AWOKE.
WITH AN ANGRY SNARL HE DARTED FORWARD TO SEIZE THE BOY.
TARZAN STRAINED AT HIS BONDS. THEN HE BRACED HIMSELF TO UPROOT THE STAKE.
TENSING HIS MUSCLES, —HE EXERTED HIS GREAT STRENGTH. IN A MIGHTY SURGE OF POWER IT CAME FREE.
AS TARZAN ADVANCED, THE GUARD SUDDENLY TURNED. HE LEVELED HIS RIFLE AT THE APE-MAN'S HEART.
—BEFORE HE COULD FIRE, TARZAN BENT LOW, PIVOTED, AND SWUNG THE STAKE IN A WIDE ARC.
-HOGARTH-
HE CAUGHT THE NAZI IN THE MIDRIFF, AND SENT HIM CRASHING INTO THE ROCK-WALL BEYOND.
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FREE AT LAST, TARZAN AND MICHAEL SET OUT FOR THE EMBATTLED VALLEY.
NEXT WEEK—STRANGE COMMAND

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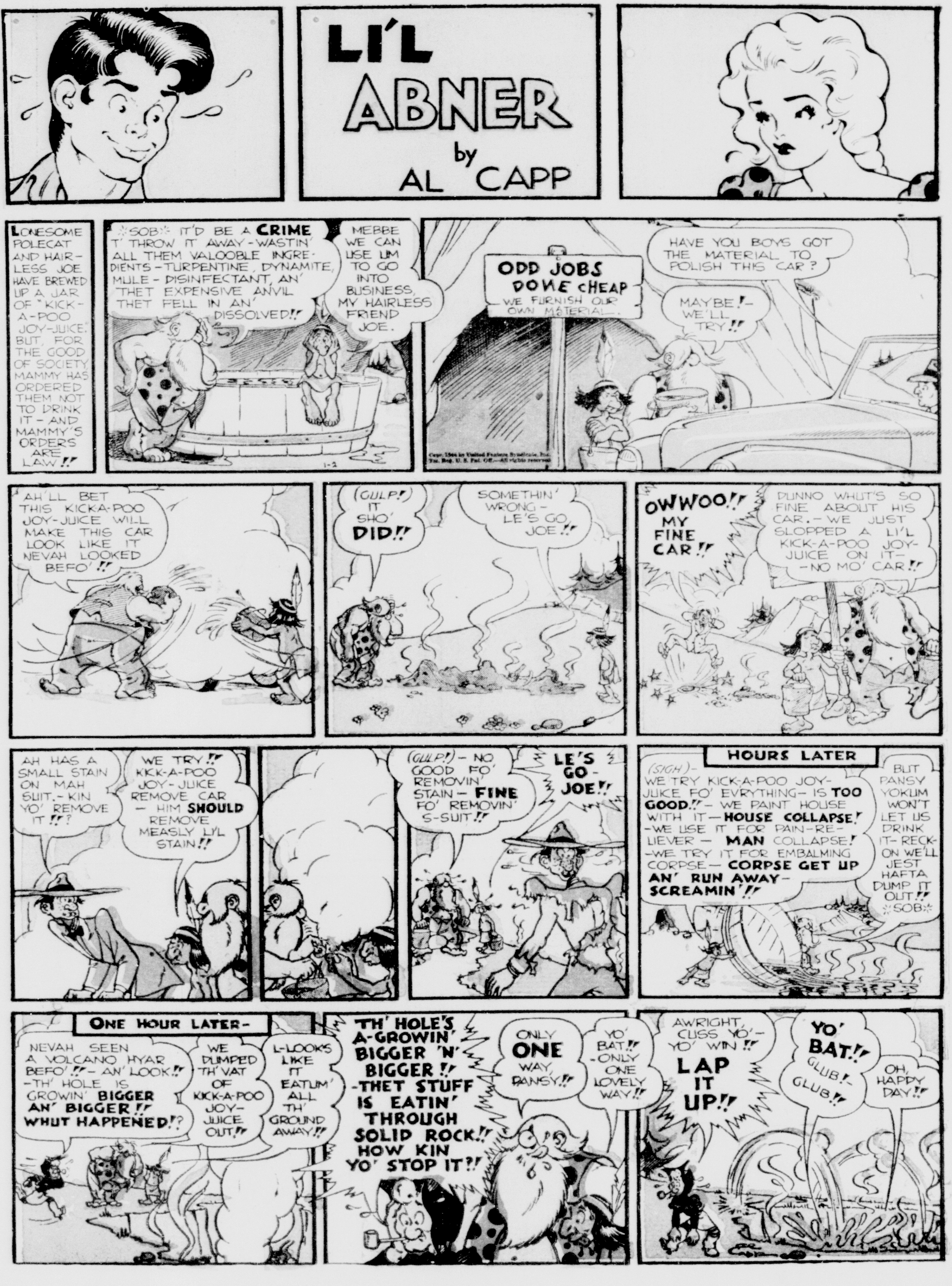LI'L ABNER
by AL CAPP
LONESOME POLECAT AND HAIRLESS JOE HAVE BREWED UP A JAR OF "KICK-A-POO JOY-JUICE." BUT, FOR THE GOOD OF SOCIETY, MAMMY HAS ORDERED THEM NOT TO DRINK IT – AND MAMMY'S ORDERS ARE LAW!!
※SOB※ IT'D BE A CRIME T' THROW IT AWAY - WASTIN' ALL THEM VALOOBLE INGREDIENTS – TURPENTINE, DYNAMITE, MULE - DISINFECTANT, AN' THET EXPENSIVE ANVIL THET FELL IN AN' DISSOLVED!!
MEBBE WE CAN USE UM TO GO INTO BUSINESS, MY HAIRLESS FRIEND JOE.
ODD JOBS DONE CHEAP WE FURNISH OUR OWN MATERIAL.
HAVE YOU BOYS GOT THE MATERIAL TO POLISH THIS CAR?
MAYBE!– WE'LL TRY!!
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AH'LL BET THIS KICKA-POO JOY-JUICE WILL MAKE THIS CAR LOOK LIKE IT NEVAH LOOKED BEFO'!!
(GULP!) IT SHO' DID!!
SOMETHIN' WRONG – LE'S GO JOE!!
OWWOO!! MY FINE CAR!!
DUNNO WHUT'S SO FINE ABOUT HIS CAR. – WE JUST SLOPPED A LI'L KICK-A-POO JOY-JUICE ON IT– –NO MO' CAR!!
AH HAS A SMALL STAIN ON MAH SUIT. – KIN YO' REMOVE IT!!?
WE TRY!! KICK-A-POO JOY-JUICE REMOVE CAR – HIM SHOULD REMOVE MEASLY LI'L STAIN!!
(GULP!) – NO GOOD FO' REMOVIN' STAIN – FINE FO' REMOVIN' S-SUIT!!
LE'S GO – JOE!!
HOURS LATER
(SIGH) – WE TRY KICK-A-POO JOY-JUICE FO' EVRYTHING – IS TOO GOOD!! – WE PAINT HOUSE WITH IT – HOUSE COLLAPSE! – WE USE IT FOR PAIN-RELIEVER – MAN COLLAPSE! – WE TRY IT FOR EMBALMING CORPSE – CORPSE GET UP AN' RUN AWAY – SCREAMIN'!!
BUT PANSY YOKUM WON'T LET US DRINK IT – RECKON WE'LL JEST HAFTA DUMP IT OUT!! ※SOB※
ONE HOUR LATER–
NEVAH SEEN A VOLCANO HYAR BEFO'!! – AN' LOOK!! – TH' HOLE IS GROWIN' BIGGER AN' BIGGER!! WHUT HAPPENED!?
WE DUMPED TH' VAT OF KICK-A-POO JOY-JUICE OUT!!
L-LOOKS LIKE IT EATUM' ALL TH' GROUND AWAY!!
TH' HOLE'S A-GROWIN' BIGGER 'N' BIGGER!! – THET STUFF IS EATIN' THROUGH SOLID ROCK!! HOW KIN YO' STOP IT?!!
ONLY ONE WAY, PANSY!!
YO' BAT!! – ONLY ONE LOVELY WAY!!
AWRIGHT, CUSS YO' – YO' WIN!!
LAP IT UP!!
YO' BAT!!
GLUB!– GLUB!!
OH, HAPPY DAY!!
AL CAPP